February 1, 1968

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Seattle Post-Intelligencer
Sixth and Wall Streets
Seattle, Washington 98121

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Dear [redacted]

Mr. James E. Milnes, Special Agent in Charge of our Seattle Office, has furnished me a copy of the editorial entitled "Good Police Work" from the January 29th edition of your paper.

You may be sure my associates appreciate, as I do, your generous comments concerning our work and we want to thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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Attention SAC: Reference material available at the Bureau indicates that [redacted] name is [redacted] Urairtel carries his name as [redacted] Advise by return mail which is correct and if you are in error, correct your records.

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NOTE: The SAC, Seattle, has recommended this letter be sent to [redacted] expressing appreciation for his editorial, [redacted] is an SAC Contact and is on the Special Correspondents List. Prior correspondence with [redacted] carries his name as [redacted] and the current Ayers Directory also reflects [redacted] as his correct name.

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Date: 1/29/68

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (91-2732) (P)

SUBJECT: [redacted] - FUG.
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REDMOND STATE BANK,
REDMOND, Washington, ETC.
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OO: SEATTLE

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There is attached a copy of an editorial which appeared in the Seattle POST-INTELLIGENCER of 1/29/68.

The [redacted] of the SEATTLE P-I is [redacted] SAC Contact.

The Bureau has previously been furnished a copy of the January 27, 1968 edition of the POST-INTELLIGENCER, which contained a very favorable article written by [redacted]

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It is suggested the Bureau may desire to (1) address a letter to [redacted] expressing the Bureau's appreciation for the excellence of his article, and (2) a letter to [redacted] expressing the Bureau's appreciation for this favorable editorial.

The indices of the Seattle Office contain no information concerning either [redacted] making this undesirable.

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Good Police Work

The arrest last Friday of a seven-man gang, accused of a bizarre plot to dynamite the Redmond City Hall and a power sub-station as a prelude to bank robbery, resulted from what may stand as some of the best law enforcement work in this region's history.

According to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the scheme was uncovered by an informer who managed to infiltrate one of the suspects' planning sessions.

If the plot had succeeded there is little doubt that it would have brought death or serious injury to a number of persons.

The suggested link with the extremist Minuteman organization is a fascinating facet of the case. Amplification of this aspect must await trial of the defendants.

WHATEVER the outcome of the case in federal court, the excellent preventive police work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in cooperation with the Redmond Police Department, warrants the community's gratitude.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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Seattle Post Intelligencer
Seattle, Wash.

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Edition: Sunrise
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Editor: [redacted]
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Redmond State Bank, etc
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Classification: 91-2732
Submitting Office: Seattle

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BIZARRE REDMOND PLOT

Bomb Gang vs. FBI: No Contest

BY JACK JARVIS

A bizarre plot to blow up the Redmond city hall and dynamite a power substation as a smokescreen for at least three bank holdups was smashed yesterday.

FBI agents, in a two-pronged assault, scooped up four men in a Lake City parking lot shortly after 10 a.m., got three more in a Bellevue parking lot a short time later.

THE TWO AUTOMOBILES containing the alleged plotters were loaded with guns, dynamite, masks, Molotov cocktails, rubber gloves, maps with escape routes marked, even brass knuckles. They also had floor plans of the banks and Redmond police headquarters, which is in the city hall.

Named by the federal government as ringleader of the gang was Duane Ivan Carlson, 35, said to be a full-time employe of the Minutemen, a right-wing extremist group.

BUT ROBERT DePUGH, national president of the Minutemen, said Carlson had been dropped for non-payment of dues.

It was "no contest" before the alleged plotters ever started for Bellevue. The law had them spotted and marked ready for plucking.

Using a search warrant issued Thursday with the approval of Ramsey Clark, United States attorney general, an informer got into a meeting of the seven men and, using what was termed "an electronic device," presumably a tape recorder, got the whole timetable for the strange plot.

IT EVEN WAS known that the men used as code names numbers 001 through 007. The number 007 was that made famous by James Bond, the fictional secret agent created by author Ian Fleming.

Major details of the planned dynamitings and bank robberies were known in mid-December.

The FBI uncovered the plot, then notified Redmond Police Chief Robert A. Sollitto.

FBI AGENTS and Redmond police kept the seven men under almost constant surveillance for several weeks, J. E. Milnes, special agent in charge of the FBI's Seattle office, said.

They were practically on top of them every time any of them showed up in Redmond. They watched as the men made dry runs in the vicinity of the banks. They knew where getaway cars were to be taken.

Yesterday morning police were at all three Redmond banks that were to be held up — just in case the men got by the FBI agents.

THE BANKS to be robbed were Peoples National Bank, First National Bank of Redmond and the Redmond State Bank.

The men also had discussed adding a Des Moines bank to the list but solid plans hadn't been made.

The Redmond city hall was to be blown up to immobilize police headquarters personnel and the power substation, in downtown Redmond, was to be dynamited to knock out the Redmond police radio.

THE SEVEN MEN were charged with conspiracy to rob a bank, a federal offense, and were arraigned in the Federal Courthouse before U.S. Commissioner

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Walter Reseburg Jr.

Besides Carlson, those charged were:

Joseph David Hourie, also known as Max and Mac, 20, reportedly a recent employe of a Seattle grocery chain. He lives at 1133 SW 139th St. He is married, has a young son and another child on the way. He said he has lived in Seattle all his life, just recently lost his job.

Mervyn Edward Henderson Sr., 37, Woodinville. Employed as a church sexton and also was a part-time maintenance man.

Kelly E. De Lano, also known as Keith, 24, of 2712 N. Puget Sound Ave., Tacoma. Married. Employed as a civilian driver at Ft. Lewis. Identified at arraignment as "John Doe No. 1." Later admitted he is De Lano.

Ervin John White, 41. Married, lives in Edmonds, is believed to be a self-employed draftsman.

Jerome Nicholas Diemert, 43, married, lives on rural route near Arlington. Currently unemployed, but recently was employed as a ship's oiler.

Milton James Dix, 34, of 5493-28th Ave. SW. Longshoreman. Single. First identified as "John Doe No. 2, Jim." Later identified by his attorney as Dix. Born in Seattle, has lived here all his life.

THE SEVEN arrived at the Federal Courthouse from the King County Jail with each in a separate automobile. Each was flanked by two deputy U.S. marshals as he ran a gantlet of newspaper and television cameramen.

Several of the men held their handcuffed hands over their faces.

As a deputy marshal identified one man for a reporter, the handcuffed man yelled, "No! No No!"

COMMISSIONER Reseburg, suffering from laryngitis, croaked his way through some of the reading of complaints, then turned it over to John Darrah, an assistant United States attorney.

The men were arraigned one at a time.

None of the seven showed any emotion as the complaints were read.

Carlson placidly chewed gum, acted as if he didn't understand Reseburg as the commissioner explained how an attorney would be appointed for him.

"DO YOU HAVE any money?" Reseburg asked.

"I have $67.60," Carlson said.

As the first man, Diemert, was arraigned, D. Q. Dix, identifying himself as a brother "of one of the defendants," spoke up and said he wondered if Reseburg was "railroading these people by not letting their attorneys be present."

Reseburg explained patiently the arraignment procedure, that the men could have attorneys if they wanted them, that they were not required to answer any questions, that attorneys would be appointed for them if they couldn't afford to hire them.

DIX DIDN'T appear to be satisfied, interrupted several times more to say that he didn't think the procedures were "fair." When James Dix was arraigned, D. Q. Dix sat at the counsel table taking notes.

Later, as deputy marshals were taking the seven men out of the courthouse, D. Q. Dix threw a punch at a news photographer. The photographer ducked.

Bail ranged from $30,000 for Carlson to $500 for Dix.

DE LANO waived a preliminary hearing and was bound over to the federal grand jury. February 2 was set as the date for preliminary hearings for all the others except Dix, whose lawyer asked for February 7.

Dix and White were released on bail late yesterday.

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Date: 2/20/68

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (91-2732) (P)

SUBJECT: [redacted] b6 b7C
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REDMOND STATE BANK
REDMOND, WASHINGTON
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Attached hereto for the Bureau and Kansas City for informational purposes is one copy each of the True Bill presented to the Federal Grand Jury at Seattle this date for their consideration. It is expected the secret indictment will be returned later this date or early morning of February 21, 1968.

Both the Bureau and Kansas City will be kept advised of developments by proper communication.

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1 - Kansas City (Info) (91-5472)
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BRUCE C. CHENEY
United States Attorney

JOHN K. KINDAY
Assistant United States Attorney

1012 U. S. Courthouse
Seattle, Washington 98104

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
[illegible] DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

ROBERT BOLIVAR DePUGH; WALTER EAGLETON PERSON; EMMET IVAN CARLSON; FRANCIS MICHAELS [illegible]; [illegible] EDWARD HENDERSON; [illegible] JOHN WHITE; AND KELLY [illegible] DOLAND,

Defendants.

NO.

INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges:

COUNT I

Commencing on or about August 20, 1967, and continuing until January 26, 1968, in the Western District of Washington, and elsewhere, ROBERT BOLIVAR DePUGH, WALTER EAGLETON PERSON, EMMET IVAN CARLSON, FRANCIS NICHOLAS DENNEY, KENNETH EDWARD HENDERSON, KEVEN JOHN WHITE, KELLY [illegible] DOLAND, and others, did conspire to commit offenses against the United States of America, to wit, violations of Section 2113(a) and (d) of Title 18, United States Code.

It was a part of said conspiracy that said defendants, [illegible] Aleiania, and [illegible], would take from the [illegible] of the employees of certain banks, that is, the [illegible] The First National Bank of Redmond, The Peoples [illegible] Washington, Redmond Branch, and the Seattle First [illegible]

Des Moines Branch, the deposits of which banks are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, money belonging to or in the custody of said banks.

It was a further part of said conspiracy that, while committing the acts specified, defendants would assault and put in jeopardy the lives of employees and customers of said banks by the use of dangerous weapons, to wit, loaded firearms.

OVERT ACTS

In pursuance of said conspiracy and to effect the objects thereof, the defendants did commit the following overt acts within the Western District of Washington.

1. On or about December 17, 1967, in Renton, DUANE IVAN CARLSON carried and transferred two bandoliers for carrying .30 caliber ammunition.

2. On or about December 24, 1967, DUANE IVAN CARLSON, DENNIS NICHOLAS DIEMERT, HERVIN EDWARD HENDERSON, RAVEN JOHN WATERS and others met together at the Seattle Tacoma Airport.

3. On or about December 27, 1967, in Renton, HERVIN EDWARD HENDERSON transferred 340 rounds of .30 caliber ammunition.

4. On or about January 25, 1968, DUANE IVAN CARLSON, JR., DENNIS NICHOLAS DIEMERT, HERVIN EDWARD HENDERSON, RAVEN JOHN WATERS, ALLEN BENJIN DELANO and others met together in a room on the premises of the Rainier Lanes bowling alley in Seattle.

All in violation of Title 18 United States Code, Sections 371 and 2113(a) and (d).

COUNT II

That on or about the 23rd day of December, 1967, in the Western District of Washington, DUANE IVAN CARLSON did transfer a firearm, that is a rifle or silencer fitted for a [illegible] caliber rifle, being a cylindrical metal device or a [illegible]

nine and one-half inches in length and one and one-fourth inches in diameter, knowing that said transfer was not in pursuance of a written order from the transferee and not on an application form issued in blank in duplicate for that purpose by the Secretary of the Treasury, or his delegate.

All in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 5811.

COUNT III

That on or about the 5th day of December 1967, in the Western District of Washington, JEROME NICHOLAS DURHAM, having been convicted as follows:

1. On or about April 6, 1951, in the Douglas County Superior Court for the State of Wisconsin, of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, that is, the crime of breaking and entering in the nighttime, and

2. On or about April 17, 1953, in the District Court, St. Louis County, State of Minnesota, of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, that is, the crime of grand larceny in the first degree,

did transport and cause to be transported in interstate commerce from Seattle, Washington, to Boise, Idaho, and from Boise, Idaho, to Seattle, Washington, certain firearms, namely,

(1) .32 Colt automatic,

(2) 7.65 mm Carl Walther automatic,

(3) .38 Smith & Wesson,

(4) 12 gauge shotgun,

(5) M-1 carbine.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(a)(3).

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to with [redacted] airtel
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copy True Bill

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637PM URGENT 2-24-68 ELN

TO DIRECTOR (91-28872) AND SEATTLE (91-2732)

FROM KANSAS CITY (91-5472) 2P

[redacted] ROBERT B. DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; WALTER P. PEYSON - FUGITIVE; ET AL. BR. - CONSPIRACY. OO:SEATTLE

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RE SEATTLE TEL FEB. TWENTYTHREE LAST.

FOR INFO SEATTLE AND BUREAU, [redacted], AND [redacted] AFTER ATTENDING MINUTEMEN TRAINING SESSION IN COLORADO DURING AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER SIXTYSEVEN, CAME TO INDEPENDENCE, MO., WHERE THEY RESIDED TOGETHER IN MINUTEMEN HEADQUARTERS, SIX ONE THREE EAST ALTON, INDEPENDENCE, FOR SEVERAL MONTHS. INFORMATION FURNISHED BY EACH OF THEM APPEARS TO BE QUITE SIMILAR.

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[redacted] ON JAN. FIFTEEN LAST, CONTACTED ATTU OFFICE, DENVER, AT WHICH TIME HE FURNISHED ESSENTIALLY SAME INFO AS [redacted], CONTAINED IN RETEL. HE STATED THERE ARE NINETEEN "STRIKE TEAMS" THROUGHOUT THE U. S. WITH FIVE TO TEN MEMBERS EACH WHO WOULD BE PRIMARILY RESPONSIBLE FOR CARRYING OUT ASSASSINATION ASSIGNMENTS. HE STATED DE PUGH HAS ISSUED ORDERS THAT IF HE GOES TO JAIL OR IS KILLED, CERTAIN SPECIAL AGENTS OF ATTU AND FBI, FORMER USA, KANSAS CITY, MO., WITNESSES AND OTHERS WOULD BE ASSASSINATED.

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[redacted] ON FEB. FOURTEEN AND TWENTYFOUR INSTANT, ADVISED DE PUGH, PEYSON, [redacted] IN HER PRESENCE DISCUSSED ASSASSINATIONS ON VARIOUS OCCASIONS. SHE RECALLED TALK OF THESE STRIKE TEAMS FOR AT LEAST THE PAST YEAR. SHE ADDED DE PUGH IS VERY VENGEFUL AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED VERY DANGEROUS. SHE DID STATE, HOWEVER, THAT SHE DOES NOT RECALL HIM CARRYING A GUN SINCE CONVICTED OF FFA EXCEPT AT TRAINING SESSIONS IN COLORADO. SHE ALSO STATED HE KEEPS THOSE AROUND HIM SO "EMOTIONALLY CHARGED UP" THAT SHOULD HE BE ARRESTED OR KILLED, THEY MIGHT TAKE ACTION ON THEIR OWN VOLITION.

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[redacted] NAMED IN RETEL, IS PROBABLY IDENTICAL WITH [redacted] BELLMORE, LONG ISLAND, N. Y., WHO WITH EIGHTEEN OTHER MINUTEMEN WAS ARRESTED BY NEW YORK PD IN NOV. SIXTYSIX ATTEMPTING TO BOMB ALLEGED COMMUNIST CAMPS..

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DE PUGH AND PEYSON SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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CC-MR. ROSEN

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TO DIRECTOR (91-28872) AND SEATTLE (91-2732)

FROM KANSAS CITY (91-5472)

[redacted] ROBERT B. DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; WALTER P. PEYSON - FUGITIVE; ETAL, BR-CONSPIRACY, OO SEATTLE.

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FOR INFO BUREAU AND SEATTLE, [redacted]

[redacted] (PROTECT) TODAY ADVISED [redacted]

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INFORMED FEB. TWENTY FIVE LAST DE PUGH WAS ON WEST COAST AND IF NECESSARY TO CONTACT HIM SHE WOULD DO SO THROUGH DEFENSE ATTORNEY FOR THOSE ARRESTED IN SEATTLE.

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[redacted] INQUIRY OF [redacted] NOT RELATED INSTANT CASE.

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FBI REC. 23

TO: SAC, KANSAS CITY (91-5472)

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872) -56

ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE; ET AL., BANK ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY, OO: SEATTLE.

RE KANSAS CITY RADIOGRAM FEBRUARY TWENTYTHREE, INSTANT.

PROVIDED COMPLETE SECURITY IS GUARANTEED TO PRECLUDE EMBARRASSMENT TO BUREAU, PERMISSION GRANTED TO OBTAIN AND REVIEW WITHOUT SUBPOENA TOLL CALL RECORDS PERTAINING TO TELEPHONE LISTED TO DE PUGH'S RESIDENCE AND HIS BUSINESS, BOTH NORBORNE, MISSOURI, AND TELEPHONE OF FORMER MINUTEMAN HEADQUARTERS AND DE PUGH'S FATHER'S RESIDENCE, BOTH INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.

VIA TELETYPE
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DATA OBTAINED IS TO BE USED ONLY FOR INVESTIGATIVE LEADS TO LOCATE FUGITIVES. SEATTLE ADVISED BY TTA 2-24-68

SEATTLE (91-2732) (MAIL)

NOTE: This is the case which received nation-wide publicity when seven subjects were arrested on 1/26/68, by Bureau Agents in Washington State for conspiring to rob banks in the Seattle area in order to raise money for the Minutemen, a secret anti-communist organization. Case presented 2/20/68, to Federal Grand Jury, Seattle, true bill indictment returned 2/20/68, against seven defendents including DePugh and Peyson who were named in secret indictment. Bench warrants issued 2/20/68, Seattle. Indictment based upon investigation which determined DePugh, national

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NOTE (CONTINUED): coordinator of the Minuteman and his chief associate, Walter Patrick Peyson were implicated in this conspiracy. A Seattle source states one of the subjects talked to DePugh and his mother 1/18/68, via telephone listed to DePugh's father. In view of importance of case and provided complete security can be guaranteed to preclude embarrassment to Bureau, authority granted.

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URGENT 2-23-68

TO DIRECTOR

FROM KANSAS CITY

[redacted] ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE: WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE: ETAL: REDMOND STATE BANK, REDMOND, WASH., ETC. BR - CONSPIRACY, OO: SEATTLE.

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BUREAU APPROVAL REQUESTED TO REVIEW LONG DISTANCE TOLL CALLS MADE FROM RESIDENCE OF DE PUGH AND THAT OF HIS BUSINESS THE BIO LAB CORP., BOTH NORBORNE, MO. AND PHONE OF FORMER MM HEADQUARTERS, 613 EAST ALTON, AND THAT OF HIS FATHER RALPH DE PUGH, BOTH INDEPENDENCE, MO. SEATTLE SOURCE STATES CARLSON TALKED TO DE PUGH AND MOTHER JANUARY 18 LAST ON PHONE LISTED TO FATHER.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (91-28872) DATE: 3/1/68

FROM : SAC, Seattle (91-2732)

SUBJECT: [redacted]
ROBERT BOLIVAR DePUGH aka - FUGITIVE;
WALTER PATRICK PEYSON aka - FUGITIVE;
ET AL
BR; CONSPIRACY
OO: SEATTLE

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It is requested that an [X] Identification Order [ ] Check Circular be issued for

ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH

Complete the following:

1. Reasons why this action believed desirable: Considerable public interest. Subject well known as leader of Minutemen and reportedly armed and dangerous.

2. Have all dispositions of arrests been obtained? If not, what action has been initiated to obtain dispositions?
Being obtained.

3. Name and aliases (Subject's complete true or legal name should appear first, followed by all aliases in alphabetical order with any nicknames in alphabetical order after aliases):
ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH, aka "Bob" ~~DePugh~~.

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4. FBI Number: 1798E

5. Offense (Set out here only character of those offenses for which Federal process out-outstanding): BR - Conspiracy.

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6. Description

Age: 44

Date and place of birth and how verified (Verify through appropriate Bureau of Vital Statistics, wherever possible): 4/15/23, Independence, Missouri - Army records. (verified per KC airtel 3/11/68)

Height: 5'10" to 5'11"
Weight: 175 - 190 pounds
Build: Medium to large
Hair: ~~Brown, Balding~~ receding
Eyes: Brown
Complexion: ~~Unknown~~ medium
Race: White
Nationality: ~~Unknown~~ american
Occupation(s): ~~Head of Minutemen~~ chemist, draftsman (per ident. record)

Scars and Marks: ~~Unknown~~ cut scar under lower lip

Remarks (Include any characteristics or traits which would assist in identifying subject): May ~~be wearing~~ wear beard.

7. Photograph(s), number enclosed and the year taken (Submit negative or original photograph, where available. Clearly label each. Indicate best likeness and basis): 2 photos, 1966 - all reported to be good likenesses. Source of photos unknown to Seattle.

8. Caution statement (where applicable), including basis: SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS. REPORTEDLY SURROUNDED BY ARMED GUARDS. Basis is source close to Minutemen.

9. Federal process:

A. All outstanding process must be accurately described. Set out (1) whether by complaint, indictment or information; (2) date and place filed or returned; (3) name in which process issued; (4) U. S. Code, Title and Section; (5) crime charged, and (6) date and place warrant issued. If more than one Federal process, set out on separate sheet to be attached above information on each additional process.

(1) Indictment. (2) 2/20/68 at Seattle, Wash. (3) ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH. (4) T18 USC Sections 371 and 2113(a) and (d).

(5) Conspiracy to commit BR.

(6) 2/20/68 at Seattle, bench warrant issued.

B. Date Federal process last checked and found to be outstanding: 3/1/68.

C. Date U. S. Attorney last contacted to insure he would remove and prosecute upon apprehension. If Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution case, show instead most recent date local authorities indicated willingness to prosecute and date local process verified, and in all Unlawful Flight cases, most recent date local authorities indicated willingness to extradite: 3/1/68.

10. Interesting Narrative (Set out brief narrative of information concerning the subject's background, including details of the crime for which he is being sought. In case of a check circular, set out, in addition, a specific paragraph under heading "Modus Operandi" which you are recommending for use on check circular.

DePUGH reportedly the national commander of the Minutemen organization, an extremely right wing organization whose goal it is to retake the United States after United States has been taken over by Communists.

Sources have reported DePUGH advocating, in Minutemen training camps, that Minutemen should form strike teams and rob banks and perform other illegal acts to finance Minutemen underworld.

The Seven men were arrested in Seattle on January 26, 1968, while en route to rob banks at Redmond, Washington, and this gang connected with the Minutemen organization and part of the loot from the bank robberies at Redmond was supposed to be forwarded to the Minutemen headquarters. The leaders of the Seattle group known to have attended the Minutemen training camp, where DePUGH advocated bank robbery, and the head of this group at Seattle known to be in constant contact with DePUGH prior to his arrest.

DePUGH presently free on bond pending appeal to 8th Circuit Court of Appeals for the conviction of FFA.

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ENC.(2) TO BUREAU:

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RE: [redacted] ROBERT BOLIVAR DEPUGH - FUG; b6 b7C

WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUG.; ET AL

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Name - ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH
Race - White Sex - Male
DOB - 4/15/23 POB - Independence, Mo.
Height - 5'10" Weight - 175 - 190 pounds
Hair - Brown FBI # - 1798E
(Known to be recently wearing full beard)

Name - WALTER PATRICK PEYSON
Race - White Sex - Male
DOB - 4/26/42 POB - Hazelhurst, Miss.
Height - 5'7" Weight - 130 pounds
Hair - Black FBI # - 478437F
(POB not verified)
(Photo taken 11/66, source unknown)

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1. WALTER PATRICK PEYSON

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3. TROY HOUGHTON

4. ROBERT B. DE PUGH

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GSA GEN. REG. NO. 27
5010-106

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (91-28872) DATE: 3/1/68

FROM : SAC, Seattle (91-2732)

SUBJECT: [redacted] aka
ROBERT BOLIVAR DePUGH - FUGITIVE;
WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE;
ET AL
BR - CONSPIRACY
OO: SEATTLE

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It is requested that an ☒ Identification Order ☐ Check Circular be issued for

WALTER PATRICK PEYSON

Complete the following:

1. Reasons why this action believed desirable: Considerable public interest; subject reportedly second in command of the Minutemen organization and reportedly armed and dangerous.

2. Have all dispositions of arrests been obtained? If not, what action has been initiated to obtain dispositions? Being obtained.

3. Name and aliases (Subject's complete true or legal name should appear first, followed by all aliases in alphabetical order with any nicknames in alphabetical order after aliases):

WALTER PATRICK PEYSON, aka ① William Paul Petri, ② Walter Peyovich.

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4. FBI Number: 478 437 F

5. Offense (Set out here only character of those offenses for which Federal process out-outstanding): BR - CONSPIRACY.

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6. Description

Age: 25

Date and place of birth and how verified (Verify through appropriate Bureau of Vital Statistics, wherever possible): 4/26/42 at Hazlehurst, Miss., not verified as yet. per postal guide

Verified per DW tel. 3/29/68 jde

Height: 5' 7"
Weight: 120-130 pounds
Build: Slender
Hair: Black, curly
Eyes: Brown
Complexion: ~~Unknown~~ medium
Race: White
Nationality: ~~Unknown~~ American
Occupation(s): ~~Second in command of the Minutemen.~~ Salesman, laborer
Scars and Marks: Left temple. per

Remarks (Include any characteristics or traits which would assist in identifying subject):

7. Photograph(s), number enclosed and the year taken (Submit negative or original photograph, where available. Clearly label each. Indicate best likeness and basis):

~~See FD-61 submitted for ROBERT BOLIVAR DePUGH.~~
Two attached, taken 1966.

8. Caution statement (where applicable), including basis: SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS, AS REPORTED BY SOURCES WHO HAVE INFORMATION ON MINUTEMEN.

9. Federal process:

A. All outstanding process must be accurately described. Set out (1) whether by complaint, indictment or information; (2) date and place filed or returned; (3) name in which process issued; (4) U. S. Code, Title and Section; (5) crime charged, and (6) date and place warrant issued. If more than one Federal process, set out on separate sheet to be attached above information on each additional process.

(1) Indictment. (2) 2/20/68 at Seattle, Wash. (3) WALTER PATRICK PEYSON. (4) T18 USC Sections 371 and 2113(a) and (d).

(5) Conspiracy to commit BR.

(6) 2/20/68 at Seattle, bench warrant issued.

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PEYSON reportedly the second in command of the Minutemen organization, an extremely right wing organization whose goal it is to retake the United States after United States has been taken over by Communists.

Sources have reported PEYSON active in setting up strike teams, including the team which conspired together to rob banks at REdmond and Des Moines, Washington.

Seven men were arrested in Seattle on January 26, 1968, while en route to rob banks at Redmond, Washington, and this gang connected with the Minutemen organization and part of the loot from the bank robberies at Redmond was supposed to be forwarded to the Minutemen headquarters. The leaders of the Seattle group attended a Minutemen training camp in Colorado in 1967 which was also attended by PEYSON,and PEYSON later met with this leader and others in Idaho and set up the scheme to rob the banks at Redmond and Des Moines, Washington.

PEYSON presently free on bond pending appeal to 8th Circuit Court of Appeals for the conviction of FFA.

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

This relates to the Seattle case in which 7 subjects were arrested by Bureau Agents on 1-26-68 for conspiracy to rob banks in the Seattle area to raise money for the Minutemen, a secret anti-communist organization.

Indictments were returned by Federal Grand Jury at Seattle against 5 of the 7 original subjects on 2-20-68 (to proceed against the other 2 by information) and also against Robert B. DePugh and Walter P. Peyson, the 2 top officials in the Minutemen. It is anticipated arrests will be made today and will undoubtedly result in extensive publicity. Crime Records Division advised.

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643 PM URGENT 2/20/68 PJW

TO DIRECTOR (91-28872) AND KANSAS CITY (91-5472)

FROM SEATTLE (91-2732) /3PG/

"CHANGED"; [redacted]; ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE; ET AL; REDMOND STATE BANK, REDMOND, WASHINGTON, ETC., BR - CONSPIRACY; OO: SE.

Bank Robbery — Office of Origin

TITLE MARKED "CHANGED" TO ADD ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH AND WALTER PATRICK PEYSON AS SUBJECTS.

TESTIMONY THIS CASE PRESENTED TODAY TO FEDERAL GRAND JURY, SEATTLE. THE FOUR COUNT INDICTMENT NAMES ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON; [redacted] MERVYN N. EDWARD HENDERSON; [redacted] AND [redacted] AS DEFENDANTS.

United States Attorney

USA, SEATTLE, TO PROCEED AGAINST SUBJECTS [redacted] BY INFORMATION AT A LATER DATE.

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COUNT ONE OF THE INDICTMENT NAMES ALL SEVEN DEFENDANTS WITH CONSPIRACY FOR VIOLATION SECTION TWO ONE ONE THREE, (LOWER CASE A) AND (LOWER CASE D) OF TITLE EIGHTEEN, U.S. CODE; USC; SUBJECTS CONSPIRACY BEGAN ON OR ABOUT AUGUST TWENTY, SIXTYSEVEN, AND CONTINUING UNTIL JANUARY TWENTY SIX, SIXTYEIGHT, AND FOUR ACTS ARE SET FORTH UNDER COUNT ONE, ALL IN VIOLATION TITLE EIGHTEEN, ~~USC~~ U.S. CODE, SECTIONS THREE SEVEN ONE AND TWO ONE ONE

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THREE (LOWER CASE A) AND (LOWER CASE D).

COUNT TWO CHARGES DEFENDENT [redacted] WITH TRANSFERRING FIREARM, THAT IS A MUFFLER OR SILENCER, IN VIOLATION OF TITLE TWENTYSIX, U.S. CODE ~~USC~~, SECTION FIVE EIGHT ONE FOUR. b6 b7C

COUNT THREE CHARGES [redacted] WITH TRANSPORTING CERTAIN FIREARMS FROM WASHINGTON TO IDAHO IN VIOLATION OF TITLE FIFTEEN, U.S. CODE ~~USC~~, SECTION NINE ZERO TWO (LOWER CASE E).

COUNT FOUR CHARGES DEFENDENT [redacted] WITH TRANSPORTING AW M-ONE CARBINE FROM WASHINGTON TO IDAHO IN VIOLATION OF TITLE FIFTEEN, U.S. CODE ~~USC~~, SECTION NINE ZERO TWO (LOWER CASE E).

TESTIMONY TO LINK DE PUGH AND PEYSON TO THIS CONSPIRACY BASED LARGELY ON INFORMATION FROM SEATTLE INFORMANT AS WELL AS INFORMATION FURNISHED BY [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

A TRUE BILL WAS RETURNED ON FEBRUARY TWENTY SIXTYEIGHT, ON ALL DEFENDENTS NAMED IN THE SECRET INDICTMENT AND BENCH WARRANTS WERE ISSUED AT APPROXIMATELY FIVE PM, SEATTLE TIME, THE SAME DATE, INCLUDING BENCH WARRANTS FOR DE PUGH AND PEYSON. COPIES OF INDICTMENTS FORWARDED THIS DATE AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY ~~AMSD~~ TO BUREAU AND KANSAS CITY.

PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF DE PUGH AND PEYSON UNKNOWN AND KANSAS CITY

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ADVISED BY PHONE TONIGHT OF THE SECRET INDICTMENT AND REQUESTED TO LOCATE AND APPREHEND DE PUGH AND PEYSON.

FUGITIVE FORM LETTERS BEING SUBMITTED ON DE PUGH AND PEYSON.

BUREAU AND KANSAS CITY WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

DE PUGH AND PEYSON SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FBI WASH DC

CC-MR. ROSEN

2/27/68

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URGENT

TO: SACS, SEATTLE (91-2732)
KANSAS CITY (91-5472)

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872)

ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE; ET AL., BANK ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY, OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE DATED FEBRUARY TWENTYSIX, LAST, NO COPY TO KANSAS CITY.

DATA FURNISHED BY [redacted] AND OTHERS PERTAINING TO MINUTEMEN FUTURE PLANS TO COMMIT ASSASSINATIONS, BOMBINGS, AND OTHER CRIMES, EVIDENCE THAT ORGANIZATION'S MENACE TO LAW AND ORDER. REFERENCED TELETYPE INDICATES ACCORDING TO FUGITIVE'S ATTORNEY BOTH DE PUGH AND PEYSON MAY SURRENDER SHORTLY IN SEATTLE. WHILE THIS INFORMATION MAY BE CORRECT, MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO APPREHEND BOTH FUGITIVES AT EARLIEST DATE.

DETERMINE FROM UNITED STATES ATTORNEY ANY RESTRICTIONS ON FEDERAL PROCESS NOW BEING MADE KNOWN. SHOULD THERE BE NO LIMITATION, PRESS ALL-OUT INVESTIGATION TO APPREHEND. IT IS NOTED DE PUGH IS PRESENTLY ON APPEAL BOND EMANATING FROM FEDERAL

SEE NOTE PAGE 2.

1 - Mr. Joseph A. Marion, Jr. - Room 8[illegible] 9th and D.
1 - Mr. J. Donald Huppert, Room 5[illegible]

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TELETYPE TO SEATTLE
RE: ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH

FIREARMS ACT CONVICTION IN KANSAS CITY. IN EVENT ATTORNEY OR BONDSMEN NOT AWARE OF DE PUGH'S WHEREABOUTS, CONSIDER REQUESTING UNITED STATES ATTORNEY, KANSAS CITY, TO TAKE ACTION TO REVOKE BOND.

CONTINUE TO KEEP BUREAU ADVISED OF PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

NOTE: This is the case which received nation-wide publicity when seven subjects were arrested 1/26/68, by Bureau Agents in Washington State for conspiring to rob banks in order to raise money for the Minutemen, a secret anti-communist organization. Secret indictment returned and bench warrant issued 2/20/68, in Seattle against seven defendants including DePugh, national coordinator of the Minutemen and his chief assistant, Walter Patrick Peyson as they were implicated in this conspiracy. Coordinated with representatives of the General Investigative and Domestic Intelligence Divisions. It is felt that we should obtain the views of the United States Attorney, Seattle, concerning revealing to persons interviewed the fact that process is outstanding against DePugh and Peyson. This should be known in order to preclude the possibility of jeopardizing eventual prosecution.

2/27/68

SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

On 1/26/68 Agents of the Seattle Office arrested seven subjects for conspiracy to rob banks in the Seattle area to raise money for the Minutemen a secret anti-communist organization. On 2/20/68 secret indictments were also returned by a Federal Grand Jury at Seattle against Robert B. DePugh and Walter P. Peyson, the two top officials of the Minutemen organization in connection with thier part in the conspiracy. Both are Bureau fugitives and vigorous investigation being conducted to apprehend them.

Attached teletype reports that according to [redacted] b6 b7C Seattle [redacted] DePugh and Peyson, both fugitives may be in Seattle shortly to surrender.

The field has been instructed to make every effort to apprehend DePugh and Peyson at the earliest date.

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632 PM URGENT 2/26/68 PJW

TO DIRECTOR (91-28872)

FROM SEATTLE (91-2732) /2PG/

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[redacted] ROBERT B. DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; WALTER P. PEYSON - FUGITIVE; ET AL; BR - CONSPIRACY; DD: SE.

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AND OTHERS MINK ROBBERY OFFICE OF ORIGIN - SEATTLE

REBUTEL FEBRUARY TWENTYTHREE LAST.

USA CUSHING, SEATTLE, IN CONTACT THIS AFTERNOON WITH [redacted] ATTORNEY [redacted], SEATTLE; [redacted] AT SEATTLE WHO CLAIMS DE PUGH AND PEYSON ARE [redacted] IN THIS MATTER.

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USA [redacted] ATTORNEY ADVISED THAT [redacted] SAID HE DOES NOT KNOW PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF DE PUGH AND PEYSON; [redacted] HAD BEEN IN TELEPHONIC CONTACT WITH [redacted] ON FEBRUARY TWENTYTHREE SIXTYEIGHT, AND THIS IS THE LAST HE HAS HEARD; ON FEBRUARY TWENTYTHREE LAST, [redacted] MADE INQUIRY AS TO THE AMOUNT OF BAIL NEEDED, AND [redacted] TOLD HER THAT HE WOULD MAKE A MOTION, UPON DE PUGH'S AND PEYSON'S SURRENDER, TO HAVE THE BOND REDUCED ON EACH FROM THE THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLAR FIGURE RECOMMENDED

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BY THE ~~FGJ~~ FEDERAL GRAND JURY TO FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS; [redacted] BELIEVES DE PUGH AND PEYSON NOW TRYING TO RAISE THIS BAIL; AND ALTHOUGH [redacted] THOUGHT DE PUGH AND PEYSON WOULD BE IN SEATTLE TO SURRENDER THEMSELVES TODAY, AND THEY HAVE NOT SHOWN UP AS YET, [redacted] STILL BELIEVES THEY WILL BE IN SEATTLE SHORTLY TO SURRENDER THEMSELVES THROUGH HIM.

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BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

--- DE PUGH AND PEYSON SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS ---

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2/23/68

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

This is the case in which seven subjects were arrested by Agents of the Seattle Office on 1/26/68 for conspiracy to rob banks in the Seattle area to raise money for the Minutemen, a secret anti-communist organization. On 2/20/68 secret indictments were also returned by a Federal Grand Jury at Seattle against Robert B. DePugh and Walter P. Peyson, the two top officials of the Minutemen organization. DePugh and Peyson are Bureau fugitives and vigorous investigation is being conducted to locate them.

The accuracy of the information set forth in attached teletype has not been established, however, it is known that [redacted] has been extremely active in the Minutemen in the past and has been closely associated with DePugh and other officials of the organization. Intensive investigation has been instituted to corroborate.

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205PM URGENT 2-23-68 DRA

TO: DIRECTOR, SEATTLE

FROM: CHARLOTTE 91-3054 5P

[redacted] ET AL. REDMOND STATE BANK, REDMOND, WASHINGTON;
BANK ROBBERY
~~WASH.~~ ~~BR~~ DASH CONSPIRACY. OO: SEATTLE.

REMYTEL TO SEATTLE FEB. TWENTYONE, SIXTYEIGHT.

ON FEB. TWENTYTWO, SIXTYEIGHT, [redacted] ASHEVILLE, ~~N.C.~~ NORTH CAROLINA, REFUSED TO GIVE A SIGNED STATEMENT BUT SAID HE WOULD BE WILLING TO TESTIFY IN CAPTIONED CASE PROVIDED IT IS NOT REVEALED HE INITIALLY CONTACTED THE FBI, THAT HIS PRESENT RESIDENCE IN ASHEVILLE, N.C., NOT BE PLACED IN RECORD OR REVEALED TO ANYONE, THAT A SUBPOENA BE ISSUED FOR HIM AND PUBLICITY

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RELEASED TO REFLECT HE WAS LOCATED BY THE FBI AND WAS SUBPOENAED TO TESTIFY AS THE FBI KNEW HE WAS A FORMER MEMBER OF MINUTEMEN. HE WILL ALSO NEED EXPENSE MONEY TO TRAVEL TO THE STATE OF WASHINGTON. HE STATED THE MINUTEMEN WILL DEFINITELY ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND KILL HIM WHEN THEY LEARN HE IS TO TESTIFY. [redacted] b6 b7C b7D [redacted] WHERE ROBERT DE PUGH AND WALTER PEYSON, NUMBER ONE MAN OF DE PUGH, ADVOCATED BREAKING, ENTERING, LARCENY, BANK ROBBERIES, ETC., TO OBTAIN FUNDS TO OPERATE. HE HEARD BOTH REITERATED THESE PLANS IN INDEPENDENCE, ~~MO.~~ MISSOURI, IN OCTOBER, SIXTYSEVEN. AT THE TRAINING SCHOOL IN COLO., MINUTEMEN WERE TRAINED IN KARATE, USE OF EXPLOSIVES AND FIREARMS, AND SURVIVAL IN

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MOUNTAIN AREAS. HE STATED MINUTEMEN HAVE AT LEAST TWENTY STRIKE TEAMS, SOME ASSIGNED TO COMMIT ASSASSINATIONS, SOME TO BOMB ASSIGNED TARGETS, AND SOME TO COMMIT BREAKING, ENTERING, LARCENY, ARMED ROBBERY, INCLUDING BANK ROBBERIES, BUT NO SPECIFIC BANK NAMED. MINUTEMEN HAVE DEFINITE PLANS TO KIDNAP THE FORMER ~~USA IN MO.~~ US ATTORNEY IN MISSOURI WHO PROSECUTED DE PUGH FOR VIOLATION OF FEDERAL FIREARMS ACT AND THE PRINCIPAL WITNESS IN THE TRIAL WHO WAS A FORMER MINUTEMAN; INTERROGATE THEM IN A HOUSE LOCATED IN A RURAL AREA, LOCATION UNKNOWN TO HIM, AND THEN KILL THEM. THEY PLAN TO KILL EVERYONE WHO WAS CONNECTED WITH THE ALCOHOL, TOBACCO AND TAX DIVISION AND THE FBI IN THE MO. INVESTIGATION. ROBERT DE PUGH AND WALTER PEYSON HAVE REPORTEDLY SAID THAT ANY INFORMANT OR MEMBER OF THE MINUTEMEN WHO COOPERATED WITH FEDERAL OFFICIALS

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WOULD BE KILLED. THEY HAVE NAMES, ADDRESSES, PLACES OF EMPLOYMENT AND COMPLETE BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON ALL WITNESSES IN THE FEDERAL CASE IN MO. AND PLAN TO KILL ALL OF THEM. HE THOUGHT THESE OFFICIALS AND WITNESSES WOULD HAVE BEEN KILLED BEFORE NOW AND SAID THEY ARE ALL SCHEDULED TO BE KILLED BEFORE JUNE, SIXTYEIGHT. DE PUGH GOES WELL ARMED, USUALLY HAS A PISTOL ON HIS PERSON, HAND GRENADES, AND RIFLES IN HIS AUTOMOBILE AND THE TRUNK OF THE AUTOMOBILE HAS AIR VENTS SO A GUARD CAN HIDE IN THE TRUNK. HE IS GUARDED TWENTYFOUR HOURS A DAY WITH GUARDS IN OTHER NEARBY AUTOMOBILES AND THESE GUARDS HAVE INSTRUCTIONS TO KILL ANYONE ATTEMPTING TO ARREST HIM. HE IS CONVINCED DE PUGH WILL NOT BE ARRESTED AGAIN AND STATED IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO KILL HIM IF AN ATTEMPT IS MADE TO ARREST HIM. THERE IS END PAGE FOUR.

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STANDING ORDERS THAT IF DE PUGH IS ARRESTED AGAIN OR KILLED, EVERY STRIKE TEAM WILL START IMMEDIATELY SYSTEMICALLY KILLING ALL FEDERAL OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS THAT THEY CAN. HE EXPECTS WHOLESALE MURDER OF FEDERAL OFFICIALS ALL OVER THE U.S.

HE MET [redacted] ON ONE OCCASION IN SAN FRANCISCO BUT NOT ACQUAINTED WITH OTHERS CHARGED WITH PLANS TO BOMB TARGETS IN REDMOND, WASH., AND ROB THE REDMOND STATE BANK. HE SAID HE KNOWS THE FOLLOWING HEADS OF THE STRIKE TEAMS AND STATE COORDINATORS OF MINUTEMEN: [redacted] WHO LIVES IN LONG ISLAND, N.Y.; QUOTE [redacted] UNQUOTE, NAME UNKNOWN, OF HOUSTON, TEXAS; AND QUOTE [redacted] UNQUOTE, NAME UNKNOWN, STATE COORDINATOR OF CALIF. HE WAS UNABLE TO RECALL OTHER COORDINATORS OF OTHER STRIKE TEAMS.

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AIRMAIL COPIES TO ST. LOUIS, SAN FRANCISCO, NEW HAVEN, AND KANSAS CITY.

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cc to Bale, Sullivan, and McBowan. FBI

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cc-Mr T Compton

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1154AM URGENT 3/4/68 JJD

TO DIRECTOR (91-28872) KANSAS CITY (91-5472)

FROM SEATTLE (91-2732)

6-Hupp 295 Rm 5716
5-J. M. [illegible] Rm 5410 9th

[redacted] ROBERT B. DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; WALTER P. PEYSON-FUGITIVE: ET AL, BR - CONSPIRACY, CO: SEATTLE.

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RE SEATTLE TEL MARCH ONE LAST.

SUBJECTS [redacted] ARRAIGNED USDC, SEATTLE TODAY AND ALL ENTERED PLEAS OF NOT GUILTY TO THE COUNTS AGAINST THEM. TRIAL DATE SET FOR JUNE THREE NEXT.

SUBJECT HENDERSON NOT PRESENT FOR ARRAINGMENT AND WILL BE ARRAIGNED AT LATER DATE.

DE PUGH AND PEYSON SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO: MR. HOOVER

DATE: 2/6/68

FROM: SAC MILNES

SUBJECT: [redacted] ET AL;
REDMOND STATE BANK,
REDMOND, WASHINGTON, ETC.
BANK ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY

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In view of the widespread publicity throughout the nation, which arose as a result of the Bureau's apprehension of the seven conspirators who planned to blow up the Redmond, Washington, Police Department, and the power lines, as a diversionary tactic preparatory to robbing three banks, I thought you would be interested in the attached letter which I have received from [redacted] Continental, Inc. in Seattle, is a [redacted] and an extremely influential person here in Seattle.

While the letter is directed to me, he obviously has reference to the Bureau's entire organization, and I thought perhaps you may desire to have it acknowledged at the Bureau.

I was having lunch Friday with [redacted] a syndicated columnist for the [redacted] who is associated with the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. He had seen the television news and had read the publicity concerning this case, and volunteered that in his opinion the release that was made by the Bureau, and the Bureau's handling of the matter nationally as well as locally was an outstanding job and is deserving of the tribute and appreciation of the entire community. He was particularly pleased by the frank statement of facts. He said that in his opinion the Bureau was deserving of a tremendous amount of credit for its handling of the case.

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At the present time we are extending our investigation hoping to develop information that will involve the national leaders of the Minutemen, Robert DePugh, as well as Walter Peyson, in this conspiracy. There is some suggestion that Peyson is involved in it and [redacted], the Assistant U. S. Attorney who is handling the case, is particularly interested in developing information that will enable him to secure an indictment in the case. I will keep you advised of our progress.

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FBI SAN FRAN

8:55PM URGENT 2/29/68 JXR

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872) KANSAS CITY (91-5472) SEATTLE (91-2732)
CHICAGO LOS ANGELES (91-8045)

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (91-7205) (RUC) (2P)

[redacted] ROBERT B. DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; WALTER P. PEYSON, ET AL, BR - CONSPIRACY OO: SEATTLE

DOP. 2-20-68

RE KANSAS CITY TELETYPE TO SAN FRANCISCO, LOS ANGELES AND SEATTLE, DATED FEBRUARY TWENTY-FOUR, NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT. b6 b7C

[redacted] CONTACTED FEBRUARY TWENTY-NINE, NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT AT HIS OFFICE, ONE TWO ZERO ONE EAST TWELFTH STREET, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, CLAIMS SUBJECT WALTER PEYSON UNKNOWN TO HIM.

CLAIMS AFTER VIEWING SUBJECT DE PUGH PHOTO THAT HE HAS MET DE PUGE KNOWING HIM ONLY AS A PHARMACEUTICAL SALESMAN. CLAIMS LAST SAW DE PUGE OVER A YEAR AGO AND KNOWS NOTHING OF HIS WHEREABOUTS OR HOW TO CONTACT HIM.

SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE SOURCE FEELS DE PUGH NOT IN CONTACT WITH b6 b7C [redacted] IN IMMEDIATE PAST AS THIS WOULD PROBABLY HAVE BEEN MENTIONED TO SOURCE. SOURCE STATES DE PUGH LAST KNOWN TO HAVE STAYED AT [redacted] RESIDENCE LATE LAST SUMMER. NEIGHBORHOOD SOURCES SURROUNDING [redacted]

END PAGE ONE.

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RESIDENCE. [redacted] LAFAYETTE, CALIFORNIA, b6 b7C
INDICATE DE PUGH NOT OBSERVED THERE.

[redacted] CONTACTED FEBRUARY TWENTY-NINE, NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT, AT RESIDENCE, [redacted] WALNUT CREEK, CALIFORNIA, AND STATES DE PUGH KNOWN TO HIM AND WOULD ONLY STATE HE MET DE PUGH "POLITICALLY" BUT DECLINED TO STATE WHEN OR WHERE HE LAST SAW DE PUGH AS "THIS WOULD INVOLVE AN INNOCENT PERSON" WHOM HE DECLINED TO NAME. HE STATES DE PUGH'S WHEREABOUTS NOT KNOWN TO HIM AND PRESUMES HE MUST BE IN NORBORNE, MISSOURI.

[redacted] STATES HE MET SUBJECT PEYSON ON ONLY ONE OCCASION AT KANSAS CITY CONVENTION OF AMERICAN PATRIOTIC PARTY ON JULY FOUR, NINETEEN SIXTY-SEVEN AND HAS NO KNOWLEDGE AS TO HIS WHEREABOUTS. b6 b7C
NEIGHBORHOOD SOURCES NEGATIVE.

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TO: SAC, CHICAGO (91-5830)

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872) — 65

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ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE; ET AL., BANK ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY, OO: SEATTLE.

RE CHICAGO TELETYPE FEBRUARY TWENTYNINE, LAST.

PROVIDED COMPLETE SECURITY IS GUARANTEED TO PRECLUDE EMBARRASSMENT TO BUREAU, PERMISSION GRANTED TO OBTAIN AND REVIEW WITHOUT SUBPOENA TOLL CALL RECORDS PERTAINING TO TELEPHONES LISTED TO FUGITIVE WALTER PATRICK PEYSON'S PARENT'S RESIDENCE AND BUSINESS, BOTH CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

DATA OBTAINED IS TO BE USED ONLY FOR INVESTIGATIVE LEADS TO LOCATE FUGITIVES. MAIL COPY TO SEATTLE.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- SEATTLE (91-2732) (MAIL)

VIA TELETYPE
MAR 1 1968
417 pm
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SEE NOTE PAGE 2.

- Mr. Joseph A. Marion, Jr., Room 810, 9th and D
- Mr. J. Donald Huppert, Room 5716.

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TELETYPE TO CHICAGO
RE: ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH

NOTE: On 1/26/68, seven subjects arrested by Bureau Agents in Washington State for conspiring to rob banks in order to raise money for the Minutemen, a secret anti-communist organization. Secret indictment returned in Seattle against seven defendants including DePugh, national coordinator of the Minutemen and his chief assistant, Peyson as they were implicated in this conspiracy. Assistant United States Attorney, Chicago, advised on 2/29/68, review of toll call records by Federal Grand Jury subpoena not feasible. Chicago requested Bureau authority to review toll call records pertaining to Peyson's parent's residence and business telephones for information leading to location of fugitives. Full security assured.

In view of importance of case and provided complete security can be guaranteed to preclude embarrassment to Bureau, authority granted.

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FBI CHICAGO

1150AM URGENT 2/29/68 GGE

TO DIRECTOR (91-28872)

FROM CHICAGO (91-5830) 1P

[redacted] ROBERT B. DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; WALTER P. PEYSON - FUGITIVE; ET AL. BR - CONSPIRACY, OO: SEATTLE

REMYTEL FEBRUARY TWENTYEIGHT, NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT.

AUSA [redacted] CHICAGO, ADVISED THIS DATE THAT IT IS NOT FEASIBLE TO HAVE GRAND JURY SUBPOENA ISSUED FOR RECORDS OF TELEPHONE TOLL CALLS FROM RESIDENCE AND BUSINESS OF MR. AND MRS. WALTER PEYSON, MOTHER AND FATHER OF SUBJECT.

THEREFORE, BUREAU AUTHORITY REQUESTED TO OBTAIN LISTING OF TOLL CALLS FROM TELEPHONES AT BUSINESS AND RESIDENCE OF WALTER PEYSON THROUGH ESTABLISHED SOURCE. FULL SECURITY ASSURED.

SUBJECTS ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FBI CHICAGO

931PM URGENT 2-28-68 RFJ

TO DIRECTOR (91-28872) , KANSAS CITY (91-5472), LOS ANGELES, SAN FRANCISCO (91-2732), SEATTLE, AND WASHINGTON FIELD

WASHINGTON FIELD VIA WASHINGTON

FROM CHICAGO (91-5830)

[redacted] ROBERT B. DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; WALTER P. PEYSON - FUGITIVE; ET AL. BR - CONSPIRACY, OO: SEATTLE.

RE KANSAS CITY TEL FEBRUARY TWENTYSIX LAST AND WFO TEL INSTANT CAPTIONED, "SOBOM", WFO FILE ONE SEVEN FOUR - ONE SEVEN NINE.

[redacted] WALTER PEYSON THIS DATE ADVISED [redacted] DEPARTED CHICAGO VIA GREYHOUND BUS FEBRUARY TWENTYFOUR LAST FOR KANSAS CITY, MO. [redacted] TO RESIDE WITH [redacted] IN KANSAS CITY UNTIL SHE OBTAINS HER OWN APARTMENT. ADDRESS OF [redacted] AND NAME NOT KNOWN TO [redacted] SHE ADVISED SHE LAST SAW AND HEARD FROM SUBJECT DECEMBER, SIXTYSEVEN WHEN HE WAS VISITING HER WITH [redacted] PEYSON AND [redacted] RETURNED TO NORBORNE, MO., TO VISIT [redacted] OVER CHRISTMAS AND [redacted] RETURNED ALONE TO CHICAGO DECEMBER THIRTY LAST.

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[redacted] STATED NEITHER SHE NOR [redacted] RECEIVED b6 b7C
TELEPHONE CALLS OR MAIL FROM SUBJECT TO HER KNOWLEDGE AT ANY
TIME. SHE LAST KNEW SUBJECT TO BE WORKING FOR BIO-LAB,
NORBORNE, MO., ALLEGEDLY OWNED BY THE DE PUGHS. SHE STATES
PEYSON OUT ON BOND IN CONNECTION WITH PREVIOUS MATTER, IN MO.
[redacted] TO BE INTERVIEWED FEBRUARY
TWENTYNINE NEXT SEPARATELY FROM [redacted] IN VIEW OF CONFLICT OF
PREVIOUS STATEMENT THAT [redacted] SENT HIM A LARGE SUM OF
MONEY SHORT TIME AGO AT NORBORNE, MO. [redacted] DENIES
SENDING HIM MONEY AND STATES BOTH SHE AND [redacted] VITALLY
CONCERNED AS TO [redacted] WHEREABOUTS. FURTHER STATES
RECEIVED NO INFO FROM [redacted] SUBJECT AS TO [redacted] ACTIVITIES b6 b7C
OR WHEREABOUTS AT ANY TIME.

ROBERT DE PUGH, FUGITIVE IN BR MATTER BELIEVED TRAVELING WITH PEYSON AND DE PUGH BELIEVED TO BE WEARING FULL BEARD. THIRD PERSON POSSIBLY TRAVELING WITH DE PUGH AND PEYSON, IDENTITY NOT KNOWN AT THIS TIME. PEYSON AND DE PUGH, IF LOCATED, SHOULD ALSO BE INTERVIEWED RE "SOBOM."

RE WFO TEL REFLECTS PEYSON SUSPECT IN SOBOM.

SEATTLE ADVISE ALL RECEIVING OFFICES IF INDICTMENT REMAINS SECRET,

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AND SUPRESSED AT THIS TIME.

KANSAS CITY ATTEMPT TO LOCATE [redacted] b6 b7C

AND ESTABLISH APPROPRIATE COVERAGE TO APPREHEND PEYSON IF HE

CONTACTS [redacted]

CHICAGO CONTINUING EFFORTS TO GAIN COMPLETE COOPERATION

OF [redacted]

SUBJECTS CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FBI WASH DC*

cc: M. Price

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2:28PM URGENT 2-27-68 FMK

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TO DIRECTOR (91-28872), KANSAS CITY (91-5472), SEATTLE (91-2732)
SAN FRANCISCO, & CHICAGO

FROM LOS ANGELES (91-8045) (P)

[redacted] ROBERT B. DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; WALTER P. [redacted] b6 b7C
PEYSON, ET AL, BR - CONSPIRACY, OO: SEATTLE.

RE KANSAS CITY TELETYPE FEBRUARY TWENTY SIX LAST.

ON EVENING OF FEBRUARY TWENTY SIX LAST, [redacted] b6 b7C
WAS INTERVIEWED AT HIS RESIDENCE AT ORANGE, CALIFORNIA.
[redacted] CONTINUES TO BE [redacted] THE PATRIOTIC PARTY OF
CALIFORNIA. [redacted] ADVISED HE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF LOCATION
OR WHEREABOUTS OF DE PUGH OR PEYSON. [redacted] EXPRESSED
DOUBT DE PUGH OR PEYSON IN CALIFORNIA AT THIS TIME. [redacted]
DECLINED ANY FURTHER SPECIFIC INFORMATION CONCERNING CONTACTS
OR ASSOCIATES OF DE PUGH OR PEYSON. NEIGHBORHOOD SOURCE
NEAR [redacted] HOME CONTACTED SAME DATE AND UNABLE b6 b7C
TO FURNISH ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING VISITORS OR UNUSUAL
ACTIVITIES AT [redacted] RESIDENCE. LOS ANGELES SOURCES HAVE
BEEN CONTACTED BUT TO DATE FURNISHED NO INFORMATION
CONCERNING SUBJECTS WHEREABOUTS. CONTACT WILL BE MAINTAINED
WITH SOURCES AND BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES ADVISED.

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640PM URGENT 2-26-68 DJB

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872), SEATTLE (91-2732), SAN FRANCISCO
LOS ANGELES & CHICAGO

FROM KANSAS CITY (91-5472) 2P

[redacted] ROBERT B. DE PUGH - FUGITIVE. b6 b7C

WALTER P. PEYSON - FUGITIVE; ET AL. BR - CONSPIRACY. OO: SEATTLE

RE KANSAS CITY TEL TODAY.

[redacted] (PROTECT), [redacted]

TODAY ADVISED DE PUGH MET WITH [redacted] PATRIOTIC b6 b7C b7D
PARTY [redacted] FROM ORANGE, CALIFORNIA SEVERAL DAYS AGO IN
A PRIVATE HOME IN THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA AND IS BELIEVED
WEARING FULL BEARD.

KANSAS CITY FILES REFLECT [redacted]
REC 27 91-28872-68
[redacted] ORANGE, CALIFORNIA, PATRIOTIC
PARTY [redacted] FOR CALIFORNIA. DURING NOVEMBER, DECEMBER
AND JANUARY PAST, THREE TELEPHONE CALLS WERE MADE FROM
5 MAR 12 1968
DE PUGH'S PHONE TO NUMBER FIVE THREE TWO DASH ONE FIVE
SEVEN EIGHT, ORANGE, CALIFORNIA. [redacted] ALSO ADVISED
SHE HAD LEARNED THAT SUBJECT [redacted] WROTE LETTER b6 b7C b7D
APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS AGO STATING SHE WAS LIVING WITH
[redacted] CHICAGO, WHILE [redacted] OUT OF STATE AND HE

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WAS TO RETURN END OF MONTH AT WHICH TIME THEY WOULD LEAVE.

LEAD TO INTERVIEW [redacted] BEING LEFT TO THE DISCRETION b6 b7C

OF SEATTLE OFFICE.

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CC-MR. ROSEN

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NR 10:45 pm 3-8-65 RR

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FBI-SLC-CITY

7:06 PM MST U R G E N T 3/8/68 LES

TO DIRECTOR (91-28872) AND SEATTLE (91-2732)

FROM SALT LAKE CITY (91-3072) 2P

[redacted] ET AL; REDMOND STATE BANK, REDMOND, WASHINGTON, ECT. BR - CONSPIRACY. OO - SE.

RE SEATTLE AIRTEL TO BUREAU MARCH ONE LAST.

ON MARCH EIGHT INSTANT [redacted] BOTH AGE [redacted] RESIDING [redacted] [redacted] SALT LAKE CITY, IDENTIFIED PHOTOGRAPH OF WALTER PATRICK PEYSON AS INDIVIDUAL KNOWN TO THEM AS BILL ERICKSON. THEY MET PEYSON JANUARY EIGHTEEN LAST IN SALT LAKE CITY AND HAD ALMOST DAILY CONTACT WITH HIM UNTIL TUESDAY, MARCH FIVE LAST. WHEN THEY MET PEYSON HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY INDIVIDUAL KNOWN AS [redacted] WHO WAS APPROXIMATELY SAME AGE AS PEYSON. AFTER FIRST CONTACT [redacted] DISAPPEARED AND PEYSON STATED HE RETURNED TO LOUISIANA. [redacted] STATED PEYSON ALLEGEDLY CAME FROM CALIFORNIA. THEY COULD NOT FURNISH HIS RESIDENCE IN SALT LAKE CITY OR EMPLOYMENT. HE APPARENTLY HAD NO CAR. THEY KNEW OF NO CONTACTS IN SALT LAKE

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CITY OR ELSEWHERE. ON TUESDAY, MARCH FIVE LAST, PEYSON CALLED [redacted] AT WORK AND SHE MET HIM IN DOWNTOWN SALT LAKE CITY AT WHICH TIME HE STATED HE WOULD BE LEAVING TOWN. HE HAD NO LUGGAGE AND INDICATED THAT SOMEONE WAS WAITING FOR HIM. HE DID NOT TELL [redacted] WHERE HE WAS GOING OR WHAT HIS PLANS WERE BUT SAID HE WOULD GET IN TOUCH WITH HER. ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH SIX LAST [redacted] RECEIVED A POSTCARD FROM PEYSON POSTMARKED AT SALT LAKE CITY MARCH FIVE INDICATING HE WAS LEAVING TOWN.

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[redacted] RELUCTANTLY AGREED TO ADVISE THE SALT LAKE CITY OFFICE IF CONTACTED BY PEYSON. BOTH STEADFASTLY MAINTAINED THEY KNOW NOTHING CONCERNING PEYSON'S CURRENT WHEREABOUTS.

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ATTENTION SE DIRECTED SU TELEPHONE CALL MARCH SEVEN LAST RE UNSUB; FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSN., SEVEN EIGHT SOUTH MAIN ST., SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, MARCH SEVEN, SIXTYEIGHT, BR. SU FILE NINETYONE DASH THREE ONE ZERO FIVE, AND SUSPECT [redacted] CONCERNING WHOM SE COGNIZANT. SE REQUESTED DETERMINE FULL BACKGROUND, ASSOCIATES, ACTIVITIES OF [redacted] PARTICULARLY ANY ASSOCIATION WITH SUBJECTS INSTANT MINUTEMEN OPERATION.

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872) DATE: 3/12/68

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (91-4982)(P)

SUBJECT: [redacted]
ET AL;
ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE;
WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE
BR - CONSPIRACY
OO: SEATTLE

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Re Seattle airtel to Bureau, 3/1/68.

On 3/11/68, [redacted] was contacted concerning this matter. He immediately recognized the photos of subjects DE PUGH and PEYSON. Source strongly feels that DE PUGH's father [redacted] most certainly know of his current whereabouts. He explained that DE PUGH is a family man and cannot remain away from his family for a very long period of time. He is also devoted and very close to his father.

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Above source pointed out that he has personally corresponded with DE PUGH in the past and has done some "personal favors" for him. DE PUGH has faith and confidence in source and possibly because of their past personal connections, source may be able to locate both subjects.

[redacted] will immediately go to work to determine whereabouts of both fugitives.

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In addition, source was of the opinion that subject PEYSON is the type of individual who would attempt a bombing of the Soviet Embassy in Washington, D. C. and he feels PEYSON should be strongly considered as a possible suspect in connection with this bombing.

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CINCINNATI

AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

Closely follow on this case with [redacted]

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2 - Bureau (RM)
2 - Seattle (91-2732) (RM)
3 - Kansas City (2 - 91-) (RM)
(1 - Minutemen)
4 - Cincinnati (2 - 91-4982)
(1 - [redacted]) (1 - 100-13786)
(Minutemen)
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CI 91-4982

AT COLUMBUS, OHIO

Contact and alert logical sources of Patriotic Party regarding possible whereabouts of fugitives DE PUGH and PEYSON.

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3/11/68

Airtel

1 - Mr. Joseph A. Marion, Jr.
(Rm. 810, 9th and D)
1 - Mr. J. Donald Huppert
(Rm. 5716)

To: SAC, Salt Lake City (91-3072)

From: Director, FBI (91-28872)

ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH
FUGITIVE;
WALTER PATRICK PEYSON
FUGITIVE;
ET AL
BANK ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY
OO: SEATTLE

Re Salt Lake City teletype 3/8/68.

Title of referenced teletype incomplete. Refer to instructions set forth in FBI Handbook, Part I, page 42b. Score error to personnel concerned.

Referenced teletype indicates [redacted] associated almost daily with individual they have identified as Peyson using an alias from 1/18/68 to 3/5/68. Both profess they know nothing more about this individual other than he claimed to have come from California. Due to their extensive association with him from January through early March, either or both may well possess additional data which if obtained and exploited, may account for Peyson's apprehension. b6 b7C

By return mail advise in summary source of this individual's income, reason for his stay in Salt Lake City, interests and activities while in the city with the two girls, any additional physical description which may assist fugitive investigation, modes of transportation, and means by which he allegedly left Salt Lake City. Also advise results of informant and reliable source contacts.

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All-out investigation must be vigorously pursued.

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1 - Seattle (91-2732)

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Airtel to Salt Lake City
Re: Robert Bolivar DePugh

NOTE: Robert Bolivar DePugh and Walter Patrick Peyson are the two leading Minutemen officials who are sought for bank robbery conspiracy. Two girls, aged [redacted] claimed to have associated with Peyson from 1/18/68 to 3/5/68 in Salt Lake City.

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9-10 (Rev. 5-10-61)

MEMORANDUM FOR IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

P MAR 7 1968

Date 3-6-68

Bufile	Name of Subject	Fugitive Index #
91-28872	Walter Patrick Peyson	126380

FBI #	Serial #	Other Identifying #	Subject Located
478 437 F			

Prosecution dismissed

City _____ Reason and/or by whom: _____

Date _____

Action to be taken

Cancel fugitive stops for Index _____ Cancel want in LEB

☐ Gen'l Fug _____ Add additional aliases

☐ SS I. O. # _____

☐ Deserter Date of Fug Card 3-1-68

Ident Memo Received ☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ Description

added FBI # 478 437 F

per SE ltr 3-1-68

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Remarks

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1 - Mr. Gale
1 - [redacted]

Mechanical Section

March 20, 1968

J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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[redacted] ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH, ALSO KNOWN AS - FUGITIVE
WALTER PATRICK PEYSON, ALSO KNOWN AS - FUGITIVE; AND OTHERS;
BANK ROBBERY; CONSPIRACY

Enclosed are the following which are to be used in the expeditious preparation of an [X] Identification Order [ ] Check Circular for subject Walter Patrick Peyson.

1. A draft of an [X] Identification Order [ ] Check Circular.
2. Fingerprint jacket FBI # 478 437 F.
3. A memorandum from the Identification Division designating the fingerprints to be used.
4. A draft of a letter to all Special Agents in Charge to be used in forwarding smooth finished copies of the photographs of this subject.

It is requested that a photoprint be prepared and submitted to the Identification Division with this memorandum and the draft so that the following action may be taken:

1. Name and aliases to be checked.
2. Sequence of fingerprints examined and verified and,
3. Fingerprint classification verified to make certain that they have been properly reproduced on the photoprint.

Upon completion of the above steps the Identification Division is to forward this material to the Fugitive Supervisor for approval, who will in turn route it to the Mechanical Section for printing.

MAILED 4
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COMM-FBI

The Mechanical Section should then:

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1. Print this [X] Identification Order [ ] Check Circular and forward the proper number of copies thereof to the various Bureau Divisions and other individuals and organizations on the Bureau's Identification Order Mailing List.

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2. Make 275 copies of the designated photograph(s) of this fugitive, containing his name and FBI number, five copies of which should be furnished to each Division by means of the enclosed draft of a form letter to all Special Agents in Charge. Surplus photographs should be forwarded to the Fugitive Desk.

3. When a number has been assigned for this [X] Identification Order [ ] Check Circular it should be placed in the caption of the letter that is to go to all Special Agents in Charge. The letter and its enclosures should be transmitted to the Field with the shipment of [X] Identification Orders [ ] Check Circulars.

4. When the printing has been completed and prior to the distribution thereof, ascertain from the Fugitive Desk if the apprehension of this subject is still desired.

1 - Crime Records Division - Enc. SEE NOTE PAGE 3.

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9-91a (Rev. 6-3-64)

Name: WALTER PATRICK PEYSON
ALIASES: William Paul Petri, Walter Peyovich

Fingerprint Classification: 1 tA2at
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FBI Number: 478 437 F

Offense: BANK ROBBERY; CONSPIRACY

Description:

AGE: 25, born April 26, 1942, Hazlehurst, Mississippi (not supported by birth records)
HEIGHT: 5'7"
WEIGHT: 120 to 130 pounds
BUILD: slender
HAIR: black, curly
EYES: brown
COMPLEXION: medium
SCARS AND MARKS: scar left temple
RACE: white
NATIONALITY: American
OCCUPATIONS: laborer, salesman

Photographs: Two attached, taken 1966.

Criminal Record: Peyson has been convicted of illegal possession of firearms.

Caution: PEYSON REPORTEDLY CARRIES A HANDGUN AND HAS ACCESS TO OTHER TYPES OF WEAPONS, INCLUDING HAND GRENADES. CONSIDER EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

~~Method of Operation:~~

Process: A Federal warrant was issued February 20, 1968, at Seattle, Washington, charging Peyson with conspiracy to commit bank robberies (Title 18, U. S. Code, Sections 371, 2113a, and 2113d).

IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS PERSON, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL FBI OFFICE. PHONE NUMBER LISTED BELOW. OTHER OFFICES LISTED ON BACK.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR
Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C. 20535

NOTE: Walter Patrick Peyson is the chief assistant to Robert Bolivar DePugh, national coordinator of the "Minutemen", a secret anticommunist organization. Both Peyson and DePugh are sought for bank robbery conspiracy. A nationwide investigation is being conducted to apprehend these dangerous fugitives. An Identification Order (I.O.) is being issued concerning DePugh and issuance of attached draft of I.O. on Peyson is also recommended.

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Date: 3/18/68

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Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-107261)

FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (100-13786)(P) b6 b7C

SUBJECT: MINUTEMEN
INFORMATION CONCERNING
RM - ORGANIZATION

[redacted]

(OO: KC)

Enclosed for the Bureau are copies of an envelope postmarked Miami, Florida, and two letters which were mailed in this envelope. Also enclosed for Kansas City, Miami, and Seattle is one copy of each envelope and letter.

On 3/18/68, [redacted] furnished a letter postmarked Miami, Florida, addressed to one [redacted] Cincinnati, Ohio, signed by W. P. PEYSON. The envelope contained a personal note from W. P. PEYSON and a form letter titled Underground News Bulletin No. 1 signed by ROBERT DE PUGH. One copy of the b2 b6 b7C b7D

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4 - Cincinnati (1 - 91-4982)
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envelope and both letters are enclosed for the Bureau, Miami, Kansas City, and Seattle Offices in view of their interest in this organization.

Informant pointed out that the personal letter addressed to Dear Fellow Patriot was dated March 10, 1968, and may have been laying in a Post Office box for one or two days after it had been actually received at Cincinnati, Ohio. Both enclosed copies of the letters are self-explanatory and it would appear that WALLY P. PEYSON, described as number two man of the Minutemen Oganization, could possible by hiding out in the Miami, Florida area.

In view of the fact that both De Pugh, leader of Minutemen, and PEYSON are current Bureau fugitives in Bufile 91-38872, it is felt that the information in enclosed letters is important and could possibly assist the Seattle Office in locating both subjects.

[redacted] added that he has been in telephonic contact with [redacted] and she indicated DE PUGH is definitely in touch with his Seattle attorney concerning the progress of the bank robbery investigation in which he is a fugitive and undoubtedly this attorney knows the whereabouts of DE PUGH or PEYSON or both men. Informant is of the opinion that [redacted] is not aware of his current whereabouts. b2 b7D b6 b7C

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AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Contact and alert logical sources re the possibility of subject PEYSON hiding out in the Miami or Miami Beach, Florida area.

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Cincinnati, Ohio

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"Minutemen"
UNDERGROUND HEADQUARTERS

March 10, 1968

Dear Fellow Patriot,

As you can see, our battle against the communists has entered a new phase.

We will greatly appreciate it if you will give maximum distribution to the enclosed bulletin to patriots of your acquaintance.

Any assistance you can give will be long remembered. Keep up the Fight!

Sincerely,

W. P. Peyson

P.S. Thanks for the Christmas card!

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...Constitutional Republic, to the defense of individual freedom and to the preservation

UNDERGROUND NEWS BULLETIN No. 1

For Immediate Release

From:

Robert B. DePugh
National Coordinator, Minutemen

For the past month, Walter Peyson and I have been hunted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The supposedly legal government of the United States has declared that we are fugitives from justice. The fact is that we are fugitives from injustice.

We are fugitives, not because we made machine guns, or robbed banks, or kidnapped little girls. We are fugitives because we dared to openly oppose those traitors in our own government who have destroyed our Constitutional Republic and are rapidly replacing it with a bureaucratic dictatorship. We are not criminals - we are political refugees in our own land.

For eight years the Minutemen have attempted to alert our fellow Americans to the vast extent of communist infiltration and subversion within our federal government. For seven years the leaders and known members of this organization have been subjected to constant harassment by various agencies of that government - including the F.B.I., the Internal Revenue Service, and the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Division of the Treasury Department.

I have been accused of income tax fraud, kidnapping, carrying a concealed weapon, illegal posession of machine guns, illegal manufacturing of machine guns, illegal posession of bombs and bombshells, illegal transportation of firearms, and contributing to the delinquency of a minor. Each of these accusations has been false. Many were the result of deliberately planned frame-ups.

In most cases my innocence has already been proven - but at a terrible price in time, money, effort, heartache, and nervous energy.

In other cases the U.S. District Attorneys have obtained convictions through the use of perjured testimony and paid professional witnesses. Friendly witnesses were threatened into silence while financial supporters were intimidated. Following conviction the federal court has sentenced us to long prison terms on charges where other first offenders received only fines or suspended sentences. These cases might also be reversed by higher courts if enough more time and money could be found to fight on effectively.

During all this time I have been the victim of vicious smear and rumor campaigns. My family has been subjected to constant harassment.

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My co-workers have been threatened, blackmailed, intimidated, and arrested on false charges. In some cases, F.B.I. or A.T.T.U. agents have called on their employers over and over again until they finally lost their jobs.

Our offices have been burglarized. Our phones have been tapped. Our mail has been opened. Our homes have been illegally searched. Thousands of dollars worth of cameras, guns, tape recorders, money, and other personal possessions have disappeared into the pockets of the searching officers.

A few weeks ago a federal grand jury was called in Seattle, Washington. The lay members of such grand juries have little knowledge of legal procedures. They are easily led to any desired verdict by the one sided testimony presented by the smooth talking District Attorneys, suave F.B.I. agents, and glib tongued professional stool-pidgeons willing to tell any story - for a price.

From such one-sided "evidence" (including a "doctored" tape recording) the Seattle grand jury was persuaded to indict several members or supposed members of the Minutemen on the ridiculous charge of "conspiracy to rob banks". In spite of the fact that Walter Peyson has not been in the state of Washington for six years and I havn't been there in more than a year, we were also indicted as co-conspirators.

After learning this from confidential sources of our own, we contacted attorneys in Seattle and asked them to arrange terms by which we could turn ourselves in and make bond. These attorneys were promised that, if we gave ourselves up voluntarily, we would be arraigned promptly and set free on $7,500.00 bond each pending trial.

My wife began trying to raise the $1,500.00 bondsmans fee. Before this could be done, however, our informant discovered that this was only a trap to draw us in. The amount of bond had actually been set at four times the amount stated-- $60,000.00 for just two defendants. One professional bondsman who had already agreed to make the bond decided, after a call from the F.B.I., that he could not do so. This was a tactic not unfamiliar to us as federal agents had done the same thing in Kansas City when one of our members needed to make bond there.

A second bondsman was found who agreed to post the bond provided the full amount was secured by property in addition to his $5,000.00 non-returnable fee. Once again our families set out to mortgage their homes and all they owned to guarantee bonds. Once again a call from the F.B.I. and this bondsman backed out also.

By this time the full extent of the plot against us had been learned. A long series of conspiracy charges were to be presented against us - one after another after another. Sooner or later the day would surely come when we were financially, physically, and mentally exhausted. Unable to defend ourselves in court any longer, a life-long series of prison terms would be the inevitable result.

During most of this time the F.B.I. kept the fact that they were looking for us a carefully guarded secret; but, after a couple of weeks, they began to apply their customary pressure tactics. As usual, they started by picking on those who were least able to defend themselves. Their first victim was Walter Peyson's wife, Linda. All F.B.I. agents can be very courteous to the general public. They can be so polite in a court room or in some lawyers office. They can be very hateful to an eighteen year old girl who hardly weighs a hundred pounds and is expecting her first baby.

Among the collateral which my own wife had intended to pledge was a majority ownership in the small chemical company which she and my family have helped to build during many years of hard work. After school when other children have gone out to play, our children came to the plant to help mix powders, or fill bottles, or label cans. It is their business as much as it is mine. It will be my families only source of income in case I am killed or imprisoned.

Under a government that encourages indolence, my family has proven that industry and hard work still have their own rewards. My father fought in the first World War so that families like mine could start businesses of their own. My oldest son fought in Vietnam to preserve that right for the few who still cherish it. I will not ask them to give it up just so that I might remain free a few weeks longer.

There is a point beyond which no man can be pushed and still maintain his self respect. Walter Peyson and I have reached that point. We no longer choose to submit docilely to this kind of legal persecution. Neither do we intend to crawl into some hole and hide. We will defend ourselves and what we believe in by other tactics.

We realize that the odds against us are formidable - two men against thousands of federal agents. I have heard some of these agents say before, "We're just doing what we're told." That may be so; but our nation is losing its liberty because too many federal agents, local police, and average citizens are "just doing what they are told".

This does not mean that we feel sorry for ourselves. We feel sorry instead for those millions who have already fought, bled, and died to keep this nation free - this nation that now teeters on the brink of disaster.

We feel sorry for the half million American boys who have been pushed (not led but pushed) into the Vietnam death trap. They are allowed to fight and die but not allowed to win. They are there only to distract the attention of the American people while a Bureaucratic Dictatorship comes to complete power here at home - disguised of course as a benign welfare state.

We think of the twentyfive thousand boys who have died and the thousands more who have yet to die for a cause that has already been

betrayed. Comparatively speaking, our chances seem rather good.

Unlike our soldiers in Vietnam, the Minutemen are not shackled by the government's "no-win policy". We have our own strategy - our "Blueprint for Victory". We do not fight among self-seeking foreigners for corrupt political machines. We fight in our own native land and there will be millions of loyal Americans fed up with big brother's socialism who will join us in our fight.

We share the privilege of a spiritual bond with those Patriots who boldly signed the Declaration of Independence, and by their action also became fugitives for the cause of liberty.

Robert B. DeBoer

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1 - Mr. Gale
1 - [redacted]

Mechanical Section

March 18, 1968

J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

[redacted] ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH, ALSO KNOWN AS - FUGITIVE; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON, ALSO KNOWN AS - FUGITIVE; AND OTHERS; BANK ROBBERY; CONSPIRACY

Enclosed are the following which are to be used in the expeditious preparation of an [X] Identification Order [ ] Check Circular for subject Robert Bolivar DePugh

1. A draft of an [X] Identification Order [ ] Check Circular.
2. Fingerprint jacket FBI # 1 798 E.
3. A memorandum from the Identification Division designating the fingerprints to be used.
4. A draft of a letter to all Special Agents in Charge to be used in forwarding smooth finished copies of the photographs of this subject.

It is requested that a photoprint be prepared and submitted to the Identification Division with this memorandum and the draft so that the following action may be taken:

1. Name and aliases to be checked.
2. Sequence of fingerprints examined and verified and,
3. Fingerprint classification verified to make certain that they have been properly reproduced on the photoprint.

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Upon completion of the above steps the Identification Division is to forward this material to the Fugitive Supervisor for approval, who will in turn route it to the Mechanical Section for printing.

The Mechanical Section should then:

1. Print this [X] Identification Order [ ] Check Circular and forward the proper number of copies thereof to the various Bureau Divisions and other individuals and organizations on the Bureau's Identification Order Mailing List.

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2. Make 275 copies of the designated photograph(s) of this fugitive, containing his name and FBI number, five copies of which should be furnished to each Division by means of the enclosed draft of a form letter to all Special Agents in Charge. Surplus photographs should be forwarded to the Fugitive Desk.

3. When a number has been assigned for this [X] Identification Order [ ] Check Circular it should be placed in the caption of the letter that is to go to all Special Agents in Charge. The letter and its enclosures should be transmitted to the Field with the shipment of [X] Identification Orders [ ] Check Circulars.

4. When the printing has been completed and prior to the distribution thereof, ascertain from the Fugitive Desk if the apprehension of this subject is still desired.

1 - Crime Records Division - Enc.

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Name: ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH
ALIASES: XX "Bob"

Fingerprint Classification: 14 0 1 R 000 6 Ref: 9 1 9
M 25 U 000 25 29 29

FBI Number: 1 798 E

Offense: BANK ROBBERY; CONSPIRACY

Description:
AGE: 44, born April 15, 1923, Independence, Missouri
HEIGHT: 5'10" to 5'11" RACE: white
WEIGHT: 175 to 190 pounds NATIONALITY: American
BUILD: medium OCCUPATIONS: chemist, draftsman
HAIR: brown, receding
EYES: brown
COMPLEXION: medium
SCARS AND MARKS: cut scar under lower lip
REMARKS: may wear beard

Photographs: Two attached, taken 1966.

Criminal Record: DePugh has been convicted of illegal possession of firearms.

Caution: DE PUGH REPORTEDLY CARRIES A PISTOL AND HAS ACCESS TO OTHER TYPES OF WEAPONS, INCLUDING HAND GRENADES. CONSIDER EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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Method of Operation (for Check Circular only) - see page 2:

Process: A Federal warrant was issued February 20, 1968, at Seattle, Washington, charging DePugh with conspiracy to commit bank robberies (Title 18, U. S. Code, Sections 371, 2113a, and 2113d).

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR
Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C. 20535

NOTE: DePugh is the head of the Minutemen, a militant right-wing organization. Peyson is also connected with the leadership of this militant organization. They both have been indicted, along with several other Minutemen, in connection with the conspiracy to commit bank robberies in the Seattle, Washington, area. An all-out investigation is being conducted to apprehend DePugh and Peyson.

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MEMORANDUM FOR IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

Bufile	Name of Subject	Fugitive Index #	Date
91-28872	Baker Bolivar Mc Pugh	126381	3/7/68
FBI # 1798 E	Serial # US Army 17 175 190	Other Identifying #	Subject Located

Prosecution dismissed

City _____ Reason and/or by whom: _____

Date _____ _____

Action to be taken

Cancel fugitive stops for Index _____ Cancel want in LEB

☐ Gen'l Fug _____ Add additional aliases

☐ SS I. O. # "

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Ident Memo Received ☐ Yes ☑ No

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Date: 3/11/68

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872)

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (91-5472) P

RE: [redacted]
ROBERT B. DE PUGH, aka -
FUGITIVE;
WALTER P. PEYSON, aka -
FUGITIVE;
ET AL
BR - CONSPIRACY
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Re Seattle airtel to Kansas City, 3/6/68.

Records, U. S. Marshal's Office, Kansas City, Missouri, in connection with the fingerprints submitted on 8/20/66 in the name of ROBERT B. DE PUGH reflect that he was convicted on 1/24/67 for illegal possession of firearms, sentenced to 4 years, this sentence was appealed same date, and he was released on $5,000 bond. This appeal is still pending. Fingerprints submitted on WALTER PEYSON on 12/29/65 in connection with illegal possession of firearms. At this time he was released on $5,000 bond returnable to the Eastern District of Missouri. The fingerprints submitted on 8/20/66 in PEYSON's name were for illegal possession of firearms. He was convicted on 1/24/67, sentenced to 2 years in prison, appealed the same date and was released on $5,000 bond. This appeal is still pending.

On 3/11/68, [redacted] Bureau of Vital Statistics, Jefferson City, Missouri, advised that their records, #16491, revealed ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH was born 4/15/23 at Independence, Missouri.

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St. Louis Office is requested to advise Bureau and Seattle disposition of arrest of PEYSON on 12/29/65 inasmuch as they are awaiting this information to put out an Identification Order for WALTER PEYSON.

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TO DIRECTOR (91-28872) AND KANSAS CITY (91-5472)

FROM SEATTLE (91-2732)

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CHANGED: [redacted] ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH, AKA BOB DE PUGH - FUG.; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON , AKA WILLIAM PAUL PETRI, WALTER PEYOVICH - FUG.; ET AL. BR - CONSPIRACY.

OO:SEATTLE.

TITLE CHANGED TO ADD AKA'S BOB DE PUGH AND WILLIAM PAUL PETRI AND WALTER PEYOVICH.

RE BUREAU TEL TO SEATTLE FEBRUARY TWENTYNINTH, SIXTYEIGHT.

INDICTMENT THIS CASE MADE PUBLIC IN USDC, SEATTLE, THIS DATE. SUMMARY AIRTEL TO ALL OFFICES WITH PEYSON'S AND DE PUGH'S PHOTO FORWARDED TODAY. FD SIXTYONE'S BEING SUBMITTED TODAY. DE PUGH AND PEYSON SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Date: 3/8/68

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Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872)

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (91-3054) (P)

[redacted] aka;

ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE;

[redacted] aka;

MERVYN EDWARD HENDERSON; "

[redacted] "

WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE;

[redacted]

REDMOND STATE BANK, REDMOND, WASH.;
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF REDMOND,
REDMOND, WASH.;
SEATTLE TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK,
DES MOINES BRANCH, DES MOINES, WASH.;
BANK ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY
(OO: SEATTLE)

Re Seattle airtel to Bureau 3/1/68;
Houston teletype to Bureau 2/29/68.

The following investigation was conducted by SA ROBERT S. MOORE:

[redacted], N. C., a former member of "The Minutemen," was contacted 3/1 and 3/6/68,

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2 - Seattle (91-2732)
2 - Houston (68-1802)
2 - Kansas City (91-5472)
4 - Charlotte (2-91-3054)
(1-100-10436)
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C. C. Bishop

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concerning the whereabouts of ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH and WALTER PATRICK PEYSON. On both occasions he stated he had no information whatsoever as to their present whereabouts.

[redacted] stated that he telephonically contacted [redacted] about Wednesday, 2/28/68, and she told him that Mr. DE PUGH had gone underground and was hiding some place. She did not say where he was hiding but stated he would remain in hiding until his attorney could arrange a bond in the case pending against him. She asked [redacted] if he could tell her where he was located and he told her that he could not, that he was also in hiding. b6 b7C

[redacted] stated in the event he did receive information as to the whereabouts of DE PUGH or PEYSON, he would contact agent.

For information of Houston, [redacted] stated that [redacted] is the name of an individual whom he met at a "Minutemen" training camp in Colorado in 8/67 or 9/67, who is allegedly the head of a Strike Team from Houston, Tex. He stated that a member of "The Minutemen" frequently uses a nickname so as to conceal his true identity and he never did know [redacted] correct name. He stated [redacted] said he was a native of Houston, Tex., and frequently went to Colorado on hunting trips, but other than this and the fact that [redacted] claimed to be a gunsmith in Houston, he had no other background information concerning him. He described [redacted] as a white male, about 25 to 30 years of age, 5'7" tall, brown hair, well built, wearing a well-trimmed beard in the summer of 1967. b6 b7C

For the information of Kansas City, [redacted] stated he did write the article [redacted] in the 10/67 issue of "Newsletter" of the Patriotic Party, 613 E. Alton, Independence, Mo. [redacted] stated he had also written another article which was to be published in the 11/67 issue of the "Newsletter," however, he did not receive a copy of this publication and does not know if his article was actually published. b6 b7C

[redacted] stated he is not now in a position to learn anything of specific plans of "The Minutemen" but should he receive any information concerning their plans, he would contact the agent.

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Date: 3/8/68

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Mr. [illegible]
Mr. Mohr
Mr. [illegible]
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Mr. [illegible]
Mr. [illegible]
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Mr. [illegible]
Mr. Sullivan
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872)

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (91-5472) P

[redacted]

ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH, aka
FUGITIVE;
WALTER PATRICK PEYSON, aka
FUGITIVE;
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Re Seattle airtel to Director, 3/1/68.

[redacted], who has furnished both reliable and unreliable information in the past, telephonically advised this date from Seattle, Washington, that a [redacted] Spokane, Washington, has information concerning the current whereabouts of ROBERT DE PUGH; phone number was given as [redacted]. He also stated [redacted] book store, 2400 3rd Avenue, Seattle, are Minutemen.

Kansas City files reveal a [redacted] Spokane, Washington, assisted [redacted] financially during the summer of 1967, also was active in Minutemen activities. Her employment was listed with the Trans-America Insurance Company, Old National Bank Building, Spokane, Washington.

Seattle advised telephonically.

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1 Seattle (91-2732)
3 Kansas City
(2-91-5472)
(1-62-7791)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
SEATTLE	SEATTLE	3/15/68	1/29 - 3/9/68

TITLE OF CASE

CHANGED

[redacted]

ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH, aka
Bob DePugh - FUGITIVE;
[redacted] aka

WALTER PATRICK PEYSON, aka
William Paul Petri,
Walter Peyovich - FUGITIVE;
ET AL;

REPORT MADE BY: SA VERNON P. COYNE

TYPED BY: drm

CHARACTER OF CASE: IR - CONSPIRACY

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Aliases Posted and Memo to Ident

The title is marked "Changed" to add the alias of BOB DE PUGH; the aliases [redacted] and [redacted] and the aliases WILLIAM PAUL PETRI and WALTER PEYOVICH.

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REFERENCE: Seattle report of SA VERNON P. COYNE dated 1/31/68.
Seattle airtel to Director and all SACs dated 3/1/68.
Seattle letters to Bureau dated 3/1/68.

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED						ACQUIT-TALS
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES	
				NONE		

CASE HAS BEEN:
PENDING OVER ONE YEAR ☐ YES ☒ NO
PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS ☐ YES ☒ NO

APPROVED

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

Leads to locate and apprehend DE PUGH and PEYSON are being handled on an expedite basis and are not being set out herein.

By referenced airtel dated 3/1/68 all offices were instructed to immediately contact informants and reliable sources having knowledge of Minutemen and right-wing organizations and activities for information regarding the whereabouts of DE PUGH and PEYSON so that these two persons can be apprehended at the earliest possible moment.

To date, no information of value concerning the two fugitives' whereabouts has been developed from informants and sources within the Seattle Division.

On March 7, 1968, [redacted] Seattle, who [redacted] and who has been [redacted] DE PUGH and PEYSON in this case, confidentially advised SA VERNON P. COYNE that on the night of February 16, 1968, he and [redacted] met DE PUGH at San Francisco Airport and had a six-hour conference nearby at which time DE PUGH was wearing a Castro-type beard. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] advised that at that time DE PUGH said he was staying at the Edgewater Inn Garden Hotel, San Francisco, and if they needed to reach him they should call 562-6100, Room 138.

[redacted] said PEYSON was not present at this meeting and he has never met PEYSON. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] had the name of [redacted] Orange, California, in his notes which he said he prepared some time after his conference with DE PUGH. [redacted] professed not to know [redacted] or why [redacted] had been mentioned while talking with DE PUGH, but said he is only of the opinion that DE PUGH' mentioned [redacted] name for some unrecalled reason. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] also claims he does not know if DE PUGH is in touch with [redacted]

[redacted] advised that DE PUGH had called [redacted] and [redacted] in Seattle from some unknown place on the 17th and 18th of February, obviously from a phone booth as background traffic noises could be clearly heard. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] claimed his last telephonic contact with DE PUGH was on February 23 when DE PUGH called [redacted] from some unknown place.

[redacted] said he has been in frequent contact since that time with [redacted] who professes she does not know DE PUGH's whereabouts. He said [redacted] told him that on March 5, 1968, she received a call from DE PUGH but was unable to talk to him as someone else cut in on the line and DE PUGH terminated the call before she could advise DE PUGH of the fact that arrangements had been completed by [redacted] for DE PUGH's release on bail after he surrendered himself in Seattle. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] advised that he has no knowledge of DE PUGH or PEYSON's present whereabouts.

Seattle will maintain contact with [redacted] for any information he might obtain on DE PUGH or PEYSON, although it is rather apparent that DE PUGH used [redacted] as a vehicle to obtain information that DE PUGH had been indicted and that DE PUGH never had any intention of surrendering himself in Seattle as he told [redacted] he would do. b6 b7C b7D

LEADS:

KANSAS CITY DIVISION

An information copy of this report is being designated for Kansas City as that office is office of origin on the Minutemen and is conducting investigation to locate DE PUGH and PEYSON on this bank robbery-conspiracy charge; and that office has been requested to submit a report of the results of investigation conducted in that division to date.

SEATTLE DIVISION
At Seattle, Washington

Will follow and report prosecution.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Seattle

Report of: SA VERNON P. COYNE
Date: March 15, 1968

Office: SEATTLE

Field Office File #: 91-2732

Bureau File #: 91-28872

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Title: [redacted]
ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH;
JOSEPH DAVID HOURIE;
WALTER PATRICK PEYSON;
ET AL

Character:
BANK ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY

Synopsis:

Subjects [redacted] DE PUGH, [redacted] HENDERSON, PEYSON, and [redacted] indicted by Federal Grand Jury, Seattle, 2/20/68. Not guilty pleas entered by [redacted], and [redacted] at time of arraignment on March 4, 1968. HENDERSON not arraigned as of 3/8/68. Information filed against [redacted] USDC, Seattle, on 3/8/68, and not guilty plea entered by [redacted] Trial date set for 6/3/68. [redacted] orally admitted participation in the conspiracy and fact he drew bank floor plans for [redacted], USA, Seattle, to proceed against [redacted] by Information. [redacted] furnished written statement advising he and [redacted] at Minutemen Training Camp in Colorado in August, 1967, and DE PUGH there also. [redacted] was approached by [redacted] prior to arrests this case to join in a venture with them, which venture they did not describe to him. [redacted] a former close associate of [redacted] and admittedly courier for the Minutemen, has advised that [redacted] told him the money obtained in bank robberies was to be used to finance an up-rising or revolution in the United States. [redacted] believes [redacted] would attempt to kill the FBI informant in this case should [redacted] make bond. FBI Laboratory concluded writing on envelope and the handwritten letter found in [redacted] possessions was written by DE PUGH. Investigation to locate DE PUGH and PEYSON negative to date. DE PUGH AND PEYSON SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS AS IT IS KNOWN THEY HAVE ACCESS TO FIREARMS AND REPORTEDLY WEAR HANDGUNS. DE PUGH ALSO REPORTEDLY SURROUNDS HIMSELF WITH GUARDS.

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AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

On February 20, 1968, testimony on this matter was presented to a Federal Grand Jury sitting at Seattle, Wash., and on the same date a four count secret indictment was returned naming as defendants ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON; [redacted] MERVYN EDWARD HENDERSON; [redacted] b6 b7C

Count I of this indictment charges that commencing on or about August 20, 1967, and continuing until January 26, 1968, all the named defendants conspired to commit offenses against the United States of America in violation of Section 2113(a) and (d) of Title 18, United States Code.

This count sets forth that it was part of said conspiracy that the defendants by force, violence, and intimidation, would take from the person or presence of the employees of three named banks in Redmond, Washington and a named bank in Des Moines, Washington, the money belonging to or in the custody of these banks.

Count I also points out that it was a further part of this said conspiracy that while committing the specified acts the defendants would assault and put in jeopardy the lives of employees and customers of these banks by the use of dangerous weapons, to wit, loaded firearms.

Under this Count I four overt acts are set out. Count I alleges that each of these overt acts are in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 371 and 2113 (a) and (d).

Count II of the indictment charges that on or about December 23, 1967, [redacted] did transfer a firearm, that is a muffler or silencer fitted for use on a .22 caliber rifle, knowing that the said transfer was not in pursuance of a written order from the transferee and not on an application form issued in blank in duplicate for that purpose by the Secretary of the Treasury, or his delegate, all in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 5814. b6 b7C

Count III sets forth the felony convictions attributable to [redacted] and alleges that on or about the fifth day of December, 1967, [redacted] transported and caused to be transported in interstate commerce from Seattle,

Washington to Boise, Idaho and return, five certain firearms, all in violation of Title 15, United States Code, Section 902(e).

Count IV lists a felony conviction for [redacted] and sets forth that he transported and caused to be transported in interstate commerce from Seattle, Washington to Boise, Idaho and return, on or about December 5, 1967, a M-1 carbine, in violation of Title 15, United States Code, Section 902(e). b6 b7C

On March 1, 1968, in United States District Court at Seattle, the secret indictment in this case was made public.

On March 4, 1968, subjects [redacted] and [redacted] were arraigned in United States District Court in Seattle at which time all entered pleas of not guilty to the charges set forth against them in the indictment, and United States District Court Judge WILLIAM T. BEEKS set trial of this matter to June 3, 1968. b6 b7C

[redacted] remained at liberty on bail and [redacted] was again remanded to jail on failure to make bond of $30,000.

Assistant United States Attorney [redacted] advised on March 4, 1968, that HENDERSON was not present at this arraignment. HENDERSON had obtained court permission the prior week to journey to Spokane and he had not as yet returned to Seattle. [redacted] advised he would arraign subject, HENDERSON, after HENDERSON's return to Seattle but as of March 8, 1968, HENDERSON had not been so arraigned. b6 b7C

On March 8, 1968, [redacted] caused an Information to be filed in the court of United States District Judge BEEKS charging [redacted] also known as [redacted] with conspiring to rob three banks in Redmond, Washington, in violation of Section 2113(a) and (d), Title 18, United States Code. This Information sets forth that on January 24, 1968, [redacted] operated a walkie-talkie radio from his automobile and on January 25, 1968, he met with others at the Rainier Bowling Lanes in Seattle. These two acts are set forth as overt acts in which [redacted] was engaged in the pursuance of the conspiracy. b6 b7C

[redacted] advised that [redacted] no longer represents [redacted] and, therefore, it was necessary to have another attorney appointed to represent him. This was done in the very recent past. At the time the Information against [redacted] was filed he had entered a plea of not guilty.

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[redacted] advised that it is his intention to also file an Information against subject, [redacted], but as of March 8, 1968, no time for filing of this Information had been set.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Seattle (91-2732)

Date: February 15, 1968

Re: [redacted]
et al.
BANK ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY

FBI File No. 91-28872
Lab. No. D-554604 HE

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Specimens received 1/31/68

Q1 Envelope bearing handwritten message "Return Postage Guaranteed" and return address "1127 W. College Independence Mo."

Q2 Three-page letter beginning Dear [redacted] Mon passed your..." and ending "...as to where Wally can phone you."

ALSO SUBMITTED:

Blank sheet of paper

Result of examination:

No conclusion was reached as to whether specimens Q1 and Q2 were written by ROBERT BOLIVER DE PUGH, whose signatures appear on fingerprint cards under FBI #179SE, partly because the questioned and known specimens are not sufficiently comparable and partly because of the limited nature of the known handwriting.

It was concluded that the indented writing appearing on the material listed as "ALSO SUBMITTED" was made at the same time page 2 of specimen Q2 was written.

Specimens Q1, Q2 and the material listed as "ALSO SUBMITTED" are being returned separately. Photographic copies of specimens Q1, Q2 and the indented writing appearing on the material listed as "ALSO SUBMITTED" are being retained in the files of the Bureau.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

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To: FBI, Seattle (91-2732)

Date: February 29, 1968
FBI File No. 91-28872
Lab. No. D-555870 HE
D-555919 HE
D-556050 HE

Re: [redacted] et al;
REDMOND STATE BANK,
REDMOND, WASHINGTON
BR - CONSPIRACY

Specimens received 2/15/68 from FBI, Denver

K1 White envelope bearing postmark "INDEPENDENCE, MO. JAN 6 1968 PM" with accompanying envelope and handwritten letter on "MINUTEMEN" letterhead stationery, bearing the purported known handwriting of ROBERT B. DE PUGH

Specimen received 2/15/68 from FBI, Kansas City

K2 Three letters with "Minutemen" letterhead, one photocopy of a notice of meeting, a two-page letter on "Minutemen" letter, copy of a bond, numerous xerox pages of a notebook and a xerox copy of a letter with salutation "Dear Fellow Patriot ," all bearing known handwriting of ROBERT B. DE PUGH

Specimen received 2/17/68 from FBI, Kansas City

K3 Two letters bearing known handwriting of ROBERT DE PUGH

Result of examination:

It was concluded that specimens Q1 and Q2 in this case were written by ROBERT B. DE PUGH, whose known handwriting appears on specimens K1, K2 and K3.

Specimen K1 is being returned with copies of this report to the Denver Division and specimens K2 and K3 are being returned with copies of this report to the Kansas City Division. Photographic copies of specimens K1 through K3 are retained in the files of the Bureau.

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By communication dated February 9, 1968, the Latent Fingerprint Section of the Identification Division advised that no latent prints of value were developed on the submitted envelope, Q1, and the accompanying three page letter and blank sheet of paper, Q2.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537

REPORT

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IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. 91-2732
FBI FILE NO. 91-28872
LATENT CASE NO. 87638

February 21, 1968

TO:
SAC, Seattle

RE: [redacted]
ET AL.;
REDMOND STATE BANK
REDMOND, WASHINGTON
ETC.;
BR - CONSPIRACY

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REFERENCE: Letter 2-9-68
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Seattle
SPECIMENS: Major case prints of [redacted]

This report supplements Latent Fingerprint Section report dated 2-16-68.

The prints of the three individuals are not identical with the latent prints in the bank robbery section of the National Unidentified Latent File.

Prints of the three individuals are being retained and you will receive transcripts of their identification records separately.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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On February 13, 1968, [redacted] residence address [redacted] Seattle, Washington, appeared in the Seattle Office of the FBI with [redacted] On that date [redacted] after affixing his signature to a form advising him of his rights and a waiver of such rights, orally furnished information concerning his part in the conspiracy to rob banks on which he had been charged. [redacted] was seemingly unable to recall specific dates and was vague on some matters and at the termination of the interview on that date [redacted] advised that he would return to the FBI office again at which time he might have clear recollections of what has transpired. b6 b7C

On February 15, 1968, [redacted] returned to the FBI Office again this time only accompanied by [redacted] and on that date [redacted] again related his memory of the events which led up to his arrest on January 26, 1968, was vague. The following is a resume of the information volunteered by [redacted] on February 13, 1968, and again on February 15, 1968: b6 b7C

[redacted] said that sometime in the first part of 1967 he had filled out a membership questionnaire for the Minutemen and although he became a member of that organization at that time, he never was very active in the organization thereafter.

[redacted] said that he had met a person known to him as [redacted] at a meeting at the Hyatt House south of Seattle in approximately 1965 when he attended a public meeting being held there at which time [redacted] was present. b6 b7C

[redacted] also said that in approximately 1966, exact date unrecalled, he had seen ROBERT DE PUGH at the Norway Center in Seattle.

[redacted] related that possibly a week before Christmas in 1967, [redacted] had come to [redacted] home in [redacted] Jaguar and had asked [redacted] to take a ride with him. [redacted] said that he went for a ride with [redacted] on that occasion, using [redacted] own car, inasmuch as [redacted] said he was having trouble with the b6 b7C

2/13/68
2/15/68 On Seattle, Washington at File # SE 91-2732

SA [redacted]

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Jaguar. [redacted] said that he personally drove his automobile on that occasion and [redacted] sat in the front seat with him.

[redacted] said that at that time he was aware that [redacted] was a [redacted] of the Minutemen and he personally did not question [redacted] reasons for asking him to make a trip at that time with him as he, [redacted], assumed that [redacted] would tell him the reason when the time came to do so.

Continuing, [redacted] said that after driving from his place to the vicinity of the Northgate shopping area in Seattle, [redacted] told him to keep on driving and he did so, driving through Bothell and Woodinville, and then at [redacted] directions, he continued on toward Redmond, Washington.

[redacted] said that prior to the time he and [redacted] reached Redmond on that occasion, [redacted] told him that he had "orders from the top" to rob a bank as the Minutemen needed money to operate.

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[redacted] said that [redacted] asked him if he would assist him, [redacted] and others in this plan to rob a bank and after reaching Redmond, [redacted] had [redacted] park his automobile near a bank, which [redacted] now knows was the First National Bank of Redmond.

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[redacted] said that after parking the automobile [redacted] gave him a $10 bill and instructed him to go into the bank and change this bill into quarters. [redacted] said that [redacted] also instructed him to look around very carefully while he was in the bank and especially note the number of persons employed in the bank; the number of customers; entrances and exits; and the placement of the various bank cages and furniture as [redacted] said he wanted [redacted] to draw a floor plan of this bank after [redacted] came back to his automobile.

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[redacted] advised that on that occasion he had left [redacted] sitting in [redacted] automobile while he, [redacted] went into the bank and did as [redacted] had instructed him to do, and this was just before 3:00 PM on that date. He said that upon returning to the automobile he drew a floor plan or layout of this bank on a sheet of paper that was approximately 5" by 8" in size, which sheet of paper was provided by [redacted]

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[redacted] claimed that as of the time he was providing this information to the FBI he could not state exactly the reason

[redacted] had given as to why the Minutemen organization needed the money, but he did recall that [redacted] said the money was for the organization.

[redacted] also said that while he, on that particular occasion, had deep reservations about entering into any such plan or scheme to rob a bank, he did not actively voice any objections to [redacted] on that occasion. b6 b7C

Continuing, [redacted] said that he thought the situation over the succeeding days and about one week later he had called [redacted] residence and made an appointment to meet [redacted] the same day at [redacted] residence which appointment he kept. [redacted] said he could not recall the exact date of this meeting with [redacted] but he did recall that there was snow and ice on the ground and this meeting occurred sometime after Christmas, 1967, and could probably have occurred in the first week of January, 1968. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that when he met [redacted] on that occasion at the [redacted] residence, he and [redacted] walked around the block together and at that time he told [redacted] that he did not like any part of the scheme that [redacted] had proposed to rob a bank and he, [redacted] wanted [redacted] to understand that he did not intend to become involved. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that [redacted] became very angry with him on that occasion and said that as far as he was concerned [redacted] was out of the Minutemen organization from then on as he could not be trusted. [redacted] said that [redacted] went on at some length at that time as to what might happen to persons who informed anyone about this plan to rob banks, and while he could not recall the exact words that [redacted] had used, he does recall that [redacted] definitely used words which said that [redacted] would be exterminated if he were to disclose what he knew to anyone else. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that approximately two weeks later a man he knew as MERV HENDERSON, who had acted as a courier in the past for the Minutemen organization and [redacted] in bringing messages to [redacted] telephonically contacted [redacted] and arranged a meeting with [redacted] at Nifty's Restaurant in Seattle.

[redacted] said that he met HENDERSON on the same night at Nifty's Restaurant as HENDERSON had requested and at that b6 b7C

time HENDERSON told [redacted] that [redacted] had been in contact with DE PUGH and had told DE PUGH about kicking [redacted] out of the organization and DE PUGH had reportedly told [redacted] that [redacted] was still a member of the Minutemen and DE PUGH had overruled [redacted] point. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that HENDERSON told him that he, HENDERSON, had been instructed by [redacted] to contact [redacted] and tell [redacted] that there was no hard feelings and that the "orders from the top" were that I was not kicked out of the Minutemen.

[redacted] said that at that meeting at Nifty's Restaurant with HENDERSON, HENDERSON had said that [redacted] still needed help on a job and there was going to be a meeting at the Rainier Lanes in Seattle where plans for this job would be discussed. [redacted] said that HENDERSON also told him on that occasion, when [redacted] said that he did not want to become involved in bank robberies, that he, HENDERSON, did not like any part of it either and he would just as soon forget it but he had his orders to go and he intended to do so. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that on that occasion of his meeting with HENDERSON, he had told HENDERSON that he, [redacted], would be at the meeting at the Rainier Lanes if he could make it but he did not tell HENDERSON that he would actively participate in any bank robbery.

[redacted] advised that at that meeting at Nifty's Restaurant, HENDERSON had given him some rope which he had cut into lengths of 5' or 6' which he said [redacted] could use for a pattern, and this rope was to be used for tying victims in the proposed bank robbery. [redacted] said HENDERSON did not give him any guns or ammunition as HENDERSON knew that [redacted] had a gun of his own. b6 b7C

[redacted] also said that at this meeting HENDERSON told him that [redacted] had said that [redacted] would be paid $1,000 for driving an automobile during the planned bank robbery.

[redacted] said that to the best of his recollection, on the day following his meeting with HENDERSON, [redacted] and HENDERSON came to his home and this was probably on Thursday, January 25, 1968. He said that at that time [redacted] personally repeated to him that he would be paid $1,000 if he were to drive an automobile in the proposed bank robbery. He said that while he could not now be certain, he believes that it was on this occasion that [redacted] also told him that bank robberies would also be pulled in other parts of the country and he wanted [redacted] to know that the bank robbery in which [redacted] was supposed to assist [redacted] and others would be just one of many occuring throughout the country. [redacted] said he could b6 b7C

not be certain of the exact words that [redacted] used or whether [redacted] actually said the Minutemen would be pulling these robberies throughout the country, but he knew that [redacted] was working for DE PUGH and that [redacted] was a [redacted] in the Seattle area, and from these facts there was no doubt in his mind that [redacted] meant that bank robberies occuring in other sections of the country would be pulled by Minutemen as a part of a nation-wide plan. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that it is also his recollection that on that same date he had received a telephone call from [redacted] in which [redacted] again inquired as to whether or not he intended to attend the meeting at the Rainier Lanes.

[redacted] recalled that when [redacted] had been a [redacted] home just prior to the meeting at the Rainier Lanes, [redacted] had shown [redacted] how to make a mask by cutting holes in black sox. b6 b7C

[redacted], who said he has been a [redacted] since his teens, said that on the evening of January 25, 1968, after having a few drinks of liquor, did attend a meeting at the Rainier Lanes in Seattle and actively participated in that meeting. He said that there were 8 men present at this meeting including himself. [redacted] viewed photographs which were exhibited to him by SA VERNON P. COYNE and from these photographs identified [redacted] MERVYN HENDERSON and [redacted] as persons who had also attended this meeting at Rainier Lanes. [redacted] advised that at this meeting on January 25, 1968, at the Rainier Lanes plans were discussed by all the members of the group concerning three bank robberies which the group was supposed to pull on the following morning. [redacted] noted that it was evident that [redacted] had made drastic changes in the plans and everything seemed confusing to him, [redacted] but the plans were there to rob three separate banks in Redmond, Washington, on the following morning as well as to use diversionary tactics, such as lighting a fire in a building outside Redmond and cutting off the power supply to Redmond. [redacted] said that discussion was also had in some detail concerning the use of Molotov cocktails and also during the meeting, discussion was had as to how the victims in the bank should be tied, and this was physically illustrated. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that [redacted] laid out the assignments for each member of the group and it was [redacted] assignment to drive a stolen car as well as to go in one of the banks and while he was in the bank, it was [redacted] job to tie up bank personnel. [redacted] said he was also assigned to assist in robbing the third bank in Redmond as [redacted] felt that the group that [redacted] was with would finish robbing the first bank prior to the time the group robbing the second bank would be finished. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that the whole thing seemed very unreal and very stupid to him and he did not see how it could possibly succeed but even so he stayed through the entire meeting at Rainier Lanes and afterwards he accompanied most of the group in [redacted] car while [redacted] drove like a mad man in the vicinity of the bowling lanes. [redacted] said that during this ride in [redacted] car it was decided that another meeting should be held the next morning at the library at the University of Washington. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that he went home after the meeting at the Rainier Lanes on the night of January 25, 1968, and packed various small articles in a small handbag and he put this handbag in the trunk of his car the same night. He said that these articles included tie ropes which he had made at home and other articles such as sox with holes cut in them which he could use for a mask and he also said that he had put his handgun in the bag. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that he definitely did not want to go on this bank robbery venture and at approximately 12:30 AM on January 26, 1968, he had called [redacted] at [redacted] residence with the express purpose of telling [redacted] that he had no intention of showing up the next morning or going through with the proposed bank robbery, but as soon as [redacted] answered the phone he cut [redacted] off and said he could not talk at that time. b6 b7C

[redacted] said on the morning of January 26, 1968, he still had no intention of going through with the bank robbery plan but he got into his automobile and drove to a place where he thought the group had said they were going to meet on that morning. [redacted] said he actually was confused and went to the Seattle Public Library in the University District and, therefore, he did not meet or see any members of the group, including [redacted] said he arrived at this library at approximately 9:00 AM and it was his intention to tell [redacted] at that time that he was not going through with the proposed bank robberies. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that after waiting around a while at the library and not seeing or meeting any member of the group, he started to drive homeward on the freeway as he had a strong "hunch" that this was what he should do, but he then got to thinking that [redacted] and the others might be depending on him and he thought that it was only right that he should tell them in person that he was not going, so he changed his route and drove to the Valu-Mart on the outskirts of Bellevue where he thought the group might possibly be. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that on the previous evening the location of the Valu-Mart Store had been discussed and this was the reason he thought that the group might possibly be there on the morning of January 26, 1968.

[redacted] recalled that after he reached the Valu-Mart Store he parked his automobile and went into that store and bought a cup of coffee and later discussed a possible purchase of a shaver with one of the sales persons in that store and, thereafter, he returned to his automobile, without having seen any member of the group who had met at the bowling alley the prior night.

[redacted] said that it was his intention that when he left the Valu-Mart Store on that occasion to enter his car and return to his residence in Seattle but it was at that point he was arrested by the FBI.

[redacted] recalled that at the meeting at Rainier Lanes on the evening of January 25, 1968, [redacted] had told him, [redacted] that he was to be a member of the group that was hitting the "State" bank in Redmond, Washington, and [redacted] was to tie the people up who were in the bank. [redacted] said he believed he was to be accompanied by a man who had been introduced to him as [redacted] whom he now knows as [redacted] was also supposed to be in this group and it was [redacted] job to gather up the money in the bank. b6 b7C

[redacted] recalled that at that same meeting he had heard discussion of [redacted] using diversionary tactics by burning barns and cutting the power coming into Redmond. [redacted] said that he had not heard anything about disabling a police station at that meeting.

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[redacted] also recalled that at that meeting at the Rainier Lanes on the night of January 25, 1968, [redacted] had assigned every person there a number, beginning with [redacted] and [redacted] said that was the first time he had heard anything about each member being assigned a number.

[redacted] also advised that a person named [redacted] claims to be the Washington State [redacted] of the Minutemen.

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On February 16, 1968, SA [redacted] and VERNON P. COYNE contacted [redacted] at his residence, [redacted] Washington, telephone [redacted] who said he is a minister of a local church and is also a member of a conservative party, advised that he had seen [redacted] at several political functions, which were not associated with the Minutemen, and he also said that [redacted] does not reside too far from the [redacted] residence. b6 b7C

[redacted] claimed that he had no information concerning the Minutemen plans to rob banks in the Seattle area but he said that [redacted] was approached by [redacted] and [redacted] to go on some type of venture and [redacted] should be able to supply some information of value to the FBI. b6 b7C

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[redacted] Washington
February 18, 1968

"I, [redacted], hereby make the following free and voluntary statement to Vernon P. Coyne who has identified himself to me as a Special Agent of the F.B.I. I have signed a form which advises me of my rights and I know I do not have to make this statement. b6 b7C

"I am [redacted] B. APPROX. years of age and a student at [redacted]

"When I was 16 or 17 years of age I joined the Minuteman organization. I was very inactive but in August of 1967 I accompanied [redacted] auto, to a Minutemen training camp in Colorado and I remained in that camp from a Sunday night to the next Friday.

"While I was at this training camp with [redacted] I met Bob De Pugh whom I had seen once before in Seattle. b6 b7C

"To the best of my recollection I was approached by [redacted] at some date between Christmas & the end of 1967, who asked me to join him in a venture that he would not describe and [redacted] mentioned something about me driving a 'hot' car in the proposed venture. [redacted] would not give me any particulars. I told him I would think about it although I knew right away that I did not want to get involved. One or two days later I called [redacted] and told him I would not do it. b6 b7C

"Possibly two weeks later [redacted] contacted me again and again asked me to join him and others in a venture he would not describe. At this time [redacted] told me I might as well come along as the FBI was investigating my connection with the Minutemen and I could get out with him and the others when they left. [redacted] would not explain his proposition any further. I did not decline immediately but called [redacted] laterand told him no. b6 b7C

"On or about January 22, 1968, [redacted] called me and said he wanted to talk to me. I went to his house and he made inquiries regarding operations of radio's, and I recall he asked me whether or not the Sheriff's deputies could talk directly through use of the radios in their cars with the State Patrol cars. [redacted] told me [redacted] b6 b7C

[redacted] wanted to talk to me the next nite but [redacted] would not say why. He told me I should meet [redacted] at Marketime Drugs near 185th & Aurora north of Seattle.

"The next evening I met [redacted] at Marketime. We sat in the lunch room in the same building. [redacted] talked a lot about there being little time left for a free society & he showed me letters from Bob De Pugh's mother. He pointed out that these letters contained passages which said the amount of time free society has is short and therefore, according to [redacted] I must help him. b6 b7C

[redacted] told me there was going to be a meeting the next Thursday night and at that time I would be told all I needed to know about a proposed venture which [redacted] did not describe. I asked him if stolen cars would be involved & he said no, that [redacted] was wrong on this. When I pressed for details, while sitting in the lunchroom & outside the building, [redacted] would only say I should wait for Thursday nite. [redacted] told me to contact [redacted] to get to the meeting. I knew I didn't want any part of this operation as it did not sound good to me but I agreed to contact [redacted] which I did the same nite and it was arranged that I should go with him to the meeting somewhere in Seattle on the next Thursday nite. b6 b7C

"On Wednesday evening, January 24, 1968, I tried to call [redacted] at his residence but was unable to reach him. I called him on the morning of January 25, 1968, and told him I was not going to the meeting with him and I would be out of action for a few days as I had a bad knee.

"The next thing that happened occurred on January 26, 1968, when I heard [redacted] & others had been arrested. b6 b7C

"At no time did I ever know that [redacted] and [redacted] and others were planning to rob banks or commit any other crimes.

"/s/ [redacted]

"Witness:
/s/ Vernon P. Coyne, Special Agent, FBI, Seattle, Wash. 2/18/68"

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[redacted] residence address [redacted], was located at his residence and was interviewed on the porch of this residence. b6 b7C

[redacted] advised that he had visited [redacted] on the preceding Saturday in the King County Jail and he had talked to [redacted] at some length at that time.

[redacted] admitted that during his visit with [redacted] had mentioned to him [redacted] the name of the person that [redacted] believed was the informant who had caused [redacted] arrest but [redacted] said he did not want to repeat the name that [redacted] gave to him. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that [redacted] told him, [redacted] some details as to where this alleged informant was employed and where he worked and also gave some description of this informant's car but [redacted] denied that on that occasion or at any other time, has [redacted] ever requested him, [redacted], to kill the informant.

[redacted] said that during his visit with [redacted] on February 3, 1968, [redacted] expressed his feelings very vehemently towards this informant and spoke of this person at some length and at the end of this tirade [redacted] made some type of a loud noise by forcing one of his fists into the palm of his other hand. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that he thought when [redacted] did this, [redacted] meant that he would like to personally do bodily harm of some type to the informant should he ever be able to reach the informant, but [redacted] again denied that [redacted] had requested him to do any harm to the informant or to kill the informant and [redacted] also said tha[redacted] did not ask him to contact any other persons either to kill or harm the informant. b6 b7C

[redacted] pointed out that he can only see three or four feet in front of him and for this reason he could not see what [redacted] did with his hands and it is possible that [redacted] might have gestured as if he were breaking a person's neck.

[redacted] said that because of his sight impediment, he feels it would be highly unlikely that [redacted] would pick him b6 b7C

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as a candidate to kill anyone and further, [redacted] said he would not consider any such action, even though [redacted] might ask him to do so.

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[redacted] admitted that he is a member of the Minutemen and is also a member of the Patriotic Party but he said that he does not agree with [redacted] on many things and he, [redacted] would never consider killing or harming any person.

[redacted] said that although he resides in the home that is owned by [redacted] he is not a close friend of [redacted] even though he has known [redacted] for twenty years. He said he differs with [redacted] on many things and he said that he has been unable to understand [redacted] s thought processes for the last several years since [redacted] was injured in an ice skating accident.

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On the afternoon of March 9, 1968 [redacted] telephonically contacted SA [redacted] stating he desired to talk to SA [redacted] in confidence. Subsequently, [redacted] Seattle, Washington was personally interviewed upon his request at the FBI Office. He stated he could not testify in court to the following things he desired to tell the FBI in confidence because if he did he feared his life and that of [redacted] would be in jeopardy. He advised when he joined the Minutemen organization [redacted] told him that it was a secret organization and if anyone talked too much or betrayed the organization's secrets, they would be taken care of much like the Mafia eliminates one of their members. At this point in the interview [redacted] was advised the FBI could not act as a body guard or afford protection for him or his family.

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He stated that he has known [redacted] for approximately 18 years, and feels he knows [redacted] better than most people including the other members of the Minutemen organization.

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He advised that he had just paid a visit to [redacted] at the King County Jail and that he and [redacted] when visiting write messages on paper rather than converse for security reasons. He stated that [redacted] told him that [redacted] also known as [redacted] is the FBI informant. [redacted] further stated he believed [redacted] would make an attempt on [redacted] life if he should get out of jail on bond. In fact, [redacted] stated [redacted] held up a card to him on his visit to the jail which read "you have been talking too much." [redacted] stated he feels in fact, if [redacted] was released from jail, his safety and that of his [redacted] would be in jeopardy because of what [redacted] wrote on the card he held up to him. [redacted] stated [redacted] is not the least sorry for what he has done and states that if he gets out of jail, he will still attempt to carry out the work of the Minutemen organization. [redacted] further advised if

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[redacted] was released from jail on bond, [redacted] said he would go into hiding. [redacted] stated because of what [redacted] first told him about the Minutemen and that anyone who betrayed them would be eliminated; he is very much afraid [redacted] if released, would try to harm either [redacted] or him. He stated he was coming to the FBI because he was afraid his life and that of [redacted] would be in jeopardy if [redacted] was released from jail. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] stated he first met [redacted] approximately 18 years ago when they were both employed by the [redacted] Avenues which was an [redacted] He stated at this time [redacted] was legally blind as he had glaucoma of the right eye and that the other eye was affected to the point that his vision was almost non-existent. He advised since this time, he has known and been a friend of [redacted] and that in approximately 1960 [redacted] had the lens removed from the right eye and since this operation his vision in the left eye has become good enough that he can drive an automobile. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] advised he was a member of the Minutemen organization and served as a courier for the Minutemen. He stated he also purchased the sulfuric acid for the Minutemen organization and helped pour the sulfuric acid from the carbide into gallon jugs; however, he was not aware of the plan to use these "molotov cocktails" to rob banks. He stated in fact, [redacted] asked him whether he knew anything about dynamite and blasting caps and if he knew where they could buy dynamite and blasting caps. [redacted] stated he told [redacted] he would research the matter for him, but still did not know what he intended to use the dynamite for. He stated he merely thought [redacted] was laying in supplies for the Minutemen organization. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] further stated that it is his understanding that the purpose of the Minutemen orgnization was that in the event that the Communist took over the Government, the Minutemen would defend the country and take over the Government. He stated the Minutemen did not hold formal meetings as such, but only disseminated information about their plans on a need-to-know basis. He stated he had met ROBERT DePUGH, the leader of the Minutemen organization, when he visited Seattle in approximately 1966. [redacted] advised the Minutemen think a revolution will begin here in this country. b6 b7C b7D

In regard to the plan to rob banks that was attempted in Seattle by [redacted] and other Minutemen, it is his understanding from [redacted] and the other Minutemen that this same thing was going to happen all over the country at the same time.

[redacted] stated [redacted] put alot of faith in ROBERT DePUGH the leader of the Minutemen organization. In fact, [redacted] stated [redacted] called ROBERT DePUGH at Norborne, Missouri on the telephone from his home at 2110 N. E. 83rd in Seattle a week or two before this plan was attempted. He stated he heard [redacted] ask for ROBERT DePUGH and DePUGH was not in and [redacted] talked to DePUGH's mother. He said he heard [redacted] ask "is it alright to get the ball rolling out here?" [redacted] stated he did not know what this statement referred to and he did not hear the other side of the conversation. However, he advised he did know [redacted] later on did get to talk to DePUGH. He stated DePUGH had sold [redacted] and the other Minutemen on the idea that there would be an uprising or that an uprising was coming.

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[redacted] stated the whole purpose of robbing the banks according to [redacted] was that they would use the money to exchange for silver coins and sell the coins on the international market, and then use this money to finance the uprising or revolution. He said [redacted] said he knew an old woman who owned lots of stocks and bonds who intended to sell these securities and turn the money over to him. [redacted] advised that [redacted] said he would then give the money to him [redacted] whose job it would be to exchange the money for silver coins which were to be sold in the international market. He stated their plan was to buy silver dimes, quarters, and half dollars and replace the ones containing actual silver for those made of copper and zinc. He stated that if this bank robbery plan had been carried out, [redacted] would have delivered the money to him for this purpose and [redacted] would have gone into hiding. [redacted] related that he feels [redacted] is dangerous and is in need of psychiatric treatment. He stated he feels this way because [redacted] who was a roller skating enthusiast had fallen in a roller skating rink in Auburn, Washington in approximately 1964 and suffered a concussion. He stated HENDERSON who was with [redacted] at the time took [redacted] to the hospital where he received treatment. He stated in his opinion [redacted] has never been the same since.

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He advised he believes he has been taken advantage of and used by [redacted] and he does not want anything further to do with him. He also stated [redacted] HENDERSON, and [redacted] also felt the same way. b6 b7C b7D

He stated [redacted] was getting money from the welfare agency of the City of Seattle and whether he was getting money from ROBERT DePUGH on a full-time basis for being the head of Minutemen and the patriotic organizations in the Seattle area, he did not know.

He stated [redacted] had the following relatives:

- [redacted] telephone number [redacted]
- [redacted] who live in Portland, Oregon telephone number [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

He stated he is making this information available to the FBI because [redacted] said his [redacted] intends to get him out of jail on Monday, March 11, 1968, on a personal recognizance bond, and in his opinion, if this would happen, [redacted] would be a threat to the lives of [redacted] himself [redacted] and [redacted] He stated he feels this information should be made known to the necessary authorities to prevent [redacted] release because [redacted] said among other things he would go into hiding if he was released on bond. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] advised that although he would prefer not to testify in court concerning the above information because he was afraid of what might happen to him and [redacted] if he should, he would be willing to testify in secret if it was deemed necessary.

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[redacted] was interviewed on the premises of the King County Jail in Seattle where [redacted] was incarcerated. b6 b7C

[redacted] advised that he has been incarcerated in the same "tank" with [redacted] since [redacted] was first brought into the King County Jail.

[redacted] said that on the prior Saturday, February 3, 1968, while he [redacted] was watching a program on television called the "New American Bandstand" he was also observing the actions of [redacted] who had a visitor during that period. b6 b7C

According to [redacted] he heard [redacted] telling the visitor the name of the informant who was responsible for [redacted] being there but said he could not now remember the name that [redacted] spoke on this occasion.

Further, [redacted] said that [redacted] told his visitor that the informant was employed by the Boeing Airplane Company in Renton, Washington; that the informant lives somewhere in the Renton area and [redacted] told his visitor that the informant was driving a blue and white Chevrolet.

[redacted] said that [redacted] was very vehement in his talk to this visitor and it was evident that [redacted] was very angry with the informant and [redacted] said that at the end of his tirade [redacted] made a gesture with his two hands together as if he were breaking a man's neck. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that he definitely inferred from this gesture on [redacted] part and the conversation that he was having with his visitor that [redacted] at that time "put out a contract" to kill the informant who had given information on [redacted] b6 b7C

[redacted] said that he could not see the visitor that [redacted] was having very well because [redacted] was talking to this visitor through a small slit but [redacted] said that he does know that [redacted] visitor had black hair that was combed back and this visitor was wearing dark-rimmed glasses and he believes the visitor had brown eyes.

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[redacted] also said that he heard [redacted] mention three other names while [redacted] was talking to the visitor and [redacted] recalled that one of these persons name was [redacted] a second man was named [redacted] and [redacted] cannot recall the name of the other man.

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] visitor on the occasion in question, actually talked to [redacted] for approximately one hour and [redacted] recalled that [redacted] had requested this visitor to come back again and to bring [redacted] lawyer with him at that time.

[redacted] said that he would be willing to testify in any court concerning what he had seen and overheard on February 3, 1968, regarding [redacted] and the visitor inasmuch as he, [redacted] definitely believes that [redacted] requested his visitor to kill the informant.

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Date 3/1/68

[redacted] was interviewed at his home, [redacted] b6 b7C He said that in March, 1967, he attended a Patriotic Party (PP) meeting in Seattle, Washington, where ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH was a speaker. [redacted] became interested in the PP. He recalls that at the time, [redacted] stated that he was the head of the PP in the State of Washington. Shortly, thereafter, [redacted] received correspondence with the signature of [redacted] which he is certain was from [redacted] as the handwriting was the same and the typographical errors were the same as correspondence from [redacted]

[redacted] said that he took a vacation in July, 1967, and while on vacation attended a PP meeting in Kansas City, Missouri, where he got together with ROBERT DE PUGH and WALTER PEYSON; [redacted] was not at this meeting. Another person, [redacted] from Yakima, Washington, was in attendance at the meeting and nominated [redacted] as the new head of the PP for the State of Washington and [redacted] was so designated. b6 b7C

[redacted] stated that he had extreme difficulty in getting response and money for the PP in the State of Washington, and he received two or three telephone calls from Mrs. LESTER DE PUGH, mother of ROBERT, urging him to get the PP going in the State of Washington. [redacted] said that the PP never did become organized in Washington and at present it is virtually dead in this state. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that he never intended to join the Minutemen organization but does remember signing some kind of application form for [redacted] that may have been for membership in the Minutemen. He said that he never attended any meetings for Minutemen and to the best of his knowledge there is no active Minutemen chapter in the State of Washington.

[redacted] said that in August, 1967, [redacted] talked him into going to Blaine, Washington, for an "Anti-Viet Nam" demonstration. Another person, [redacted] also went along and they took down license numbers of cars parked in the area of the demonstration. [redacted] asked [redacted] if he knew how b6 b7C

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to obtain "forged identification cards", but did not state why he wanted such identification. [redacted] also asked about the possibility of making an electronic device to send out a radio "beep" when the device was attached to an automobile for the purpose of surveillance.

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[redacted] stated that he wondered what the purpose of the above mentioned requests were for and he decided that he would have nothing more to do with [redacted], and he did not get together again with [redacted]. He said that he had no knowledge of the conspiracy involving [redacted] and others to rob banks in Redmond, Washington, or any other place.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 2/19/68

[redacted] identified the following guns, which were obtained 1/29/68 from the 1968 Toyotta, Washington License [redacted] as being similar to the guns which were in the 1960 Chevrolet station wagon of [redacted] on the trip to McCall and Boise, Idaho, taken December 5th and 6th, 1967. This is the trip taken by [redacted] to see WALTER PEYSON: b6 b7C

1. A .32 caliber colt serial #81510 given by [redacted] to carry;

2. A 7.65 mm or .32 caliber "Carl Walther," SN 198465 which was carried by [redacted] in a shoulder holster; b6 b7C

3. A .38 caliber, 2" barrel Smith & Weston, Serial #468586, which was carried by [redacted]

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The following investigation was conducted by SA VERNON P. COYNE:

At North Bend, Washington:

On February 19, 1968, Washington State Patrol Trooper [redacted] was contacted at the North Bend Headquarters of the Washington State Patrol at which time photographs of [redacted] were shown to Trooper [redacted]

Trooper [redacted] advised that he could not identify any of the photographs shown to him as being identical with any of the persons in the 1960 Chevrolet station wagon which bore Washington State license number [redacted] which he had stopped on December 5, 1967, at 5:40 am. b6 b7C

Trooper [redacted] noted that he had issued a warning ticket at that time to a person who identified himself as [redacted] residence [redacted] Arlington, Washington, born [redacted] as [redacted] was the operator of the vehicle which had been speeding.

Trooper [redacted] also said that he cannot now recall seeing any guns in this particular automobile at the time he stopped the automobile on December 5, 1967. b6 b7C

Trooper [redacted] advised that even though he cannot identify any of the photographs with the persons who were in the automobile which he stopped, this does not mean that these persons were not in this automobile inasmuch as he has stopped many people since December 5, 1967, and because of the lapse of time, he cannot remember these persons' faces or physical characteristics.

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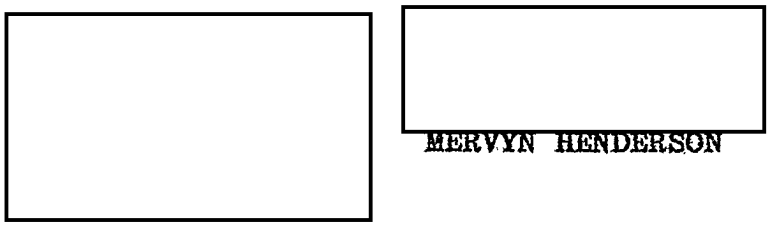
Date 2/1/68

On January 31, 1968, [redacted] cocktail waitress, Rainier Lanes, 2901 Rainier Ave., Seattle, was shown the following sets of photographs:



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[redacted] identified [redacted] as the individual she observed at the service counter of the restaurant section at Rainier Lanes on January 25, 1968.

[redacted] identified [redacted] as the individual whom she saw walk into the bar section of Rainier Lanes several times on the evening of January 25, 1968. She stated he never ordered a drink and never sat down but merely walked through the bar as if he were looking for someone.

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[redacted] identified MERVYN HENDERSON as the individual whom she saw sitting at the lower level bowling lanes on the right hand side after entering the lanes through the front door. She stated he appeared nervous, was writing something with a pencil and tapped the pencil on the top of his head quite often.

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Date 2/6/68

[redacted] CHITWOOD CABINS, McCall, Idaho, advised as follows:

Cabin #1, which had been rented by an individual whom he knows as [redacted] of Seattle, Washington, is presently unoccupied. [redacted] stated he has not received rent for this cabin since the first of December, 1967, and the rent is now over one month due. [redacted] signed a consent to search the cabin giving permission to SA RICHARD A. GRANDY and SA [redacted] to search the cabin. b6 b7C

A search of cabin #1 revealed the following items:

Contained in the cabin were many boxes of food provisions, cooking utensils, books, and magazines.

There were several military field manuals, including the following:

Booby Traps, U. S. Army Field Manual #5-31;

U. S. Rifles, M-14, Field Manual #23-8;

Microfilming of Records, TM-12-257;

Operations Against Guerrilla Forces, FM-FM-21;

Machine Guns and Gunnery, Military Services Publishing Company;

Irregular Forces, FM-31-15;

Demolitions, CIGS, 1958;

Manual for Direct Action, Friends Peace Committee, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania;

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SA [redacted] and

by SA RICHARD A. GRANDY: RAG/scf Date dictated 2/1/68

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Mortars, Military Service Publishing Company;

Basic Military Requirements, NAVPERS 100-54B;

Marine Infantry Batallion, FMF6-3;

Map Reading, FM-21-26.

The following items were also found in the cabin:

One empty cardboard box for Smith and Wesson Chief Special .38 caliber two-inch subnose revolver, blue in color, serial #468,586;

One empty box for Walther 7.65 MM, .32 caliber pistol, serial #964,508PPK;

Two large boxes of .22 caliber long rifle ammunition, hollow point, Federal Arms Company, (each box contained 10 small boxes of 50 shells each);

Three boxes of .32 automatic ammunition, Winchester Arms Company;

One clip for .32 automatic pistol;

A pamphlet entitled "Explosives" by Lieutenant CHARLES C. KNIGHT, Grampons, London, England.

Also found was a sheet of paper with the following names and addresses:

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Seattle, Washington.
Telephone [redacted]

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Bremerton, Washington;

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No city or state;

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Carnation, Washington;

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No items or articles of any kind were removed from the cabin by SA RICHARD A. GRANDY or SA [redacted] The cabin was relocked by the owner.

[redacted] stated no one has entered the cabin other than himself since December, 1967.

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Date 2/6/68

[redacted] BREEZE MOTEL, Cascade, Idaho, advised as follows:

On December 21, 1968, two men came to her motel and one of them stated he wished to rent a cabin for one year stating he had been in poor health and wanted to recuperate. She stated she showed the two men the cabin and they agreed on renting cabin #3 for $75.00 a month for the period of one year. She stated the one man gave her $20.00 as a deposit and stated he would be back the first of January, 1968, and at that time would occupy the cabin. She stated the men did not spend the night nor leave any articles in the cabin and it has been rented several times by other individuals since December 21, 1967. She stated neither of the men returned to the motel and she has had no contact from either of them. She stated the one man that put the $20.00 deposit down stated his name was [redacted] and the other man did not identify himself. b6 b7C

[redacted] described the individual who gave his name as [redacted] as:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Age	About 40
Height	5' 10" - 6'
Weight	About 160#
Hair	Very dark
Dress	Sport coat and slacks

b6 b7C

[redacted] viewed a photograph of [redacted] and stated this man was the individaul who accompanied [redacted]

[redacted] stated the two men were driving a station wagon, about a 1959 model, and possibly a Ford. She stated the station wagon was light in color and she does not recall the license plates on the vehicle.

On 1/29/68 at Cascade, Idaho File #BT #91-2555

by SA [redacted] and SA RICHARD A. GRANDY: RAG/scf Date dictated 2/1/68 b6 b7C

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On the evening of February 26, 1968, [redacted] b6 b7C was interviewed at his residence at Orange, California. At that time, [redacted] said that he continues to be the [redacted] of the Patriotic Party of California and he advised that he has no knowledge of the location or the whereabouts of DE PUGH or PEYSON. At that time, [redacted] expressed doubt that DE PUGH or PEYSON was in California at that time and he declined to furnish any further specific information concerning contacts or associates of DE PUGH or PEYSON.

[redacted] was contacted on February 29, 1968, at his office, 1201 East 12th Street, Oakland, California, at which time [redacted] claimed that the subject, PEYSON, is unknown to him. After viewing a photograph of subject, DE PUGH, [redacted] claimed that he has met DE PUGH but he only knows DE PUGH as a pharmaceutical salesman and [redacted] claimed that he last saw DE PUGH over a year ago and knows nothing of DE PUGH's whereabouts or how to contact him.

[redacted] was contacted on February 29, 1968, b6 b7C at his residence, [redacted] Walnut Creek, California, at which time he advised that DE PUGH is known to him but he would only state that he had met DE PUGH "politically" and he declined to state when or where he last saw DE PUGH as "this would involve an innocent person" whom [redacted] declined to name.

[redacted] advised that DE PUGH's whereabouts are not known to him and he presumed that DE PUGH must be in Norborne, Missouri. [redacted] claimed that he had met PEYSON on one occasion only and this occurred at the Kansas City Convention of the American Patriotic Party on July 4, 1967, and he has no knowledge as to PEYSON's whereabouts

On February 28, 1968, [redacted] b6 b7C of subject, WALTER PEYSON, was contacted at Chicago, Illinois, at which time she advised that [redacted] had departed Chicago via Greyhound Bus on February 24 for Kansas City, Missouri. [redacted] was reportedly going to reside with [redacted] in Kansas City until she obtains her own apartment. The address and name of the sister were unknown to the [redacted]

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Tho [redacted] advised that she last saw and heard from [redacted] in December, 1967, when he was visiting her with [redacted] She said [redacted] returned to Norborne, Missouri to visit [redacted] over the Christmas Holidays and [redacted] returned alone to Chicago on December 30, 1967. b6 b7C

[redacted] claimed that neither she nor [redacted] had ever received telephone calls or mail from the subject, to the best of her knowledge, at any time. She reported that the last she knew [redacted] was working for Bio-Lab at Norborne, Missouri, which was allegedly owned by the DE PUGHs.

On February 13, 1968, Salt Lake City Division reported that Salt Lake City telephone #363-0614 is the pay phone for Temple View Conoco Station located at 280 West Temple. It was pointed out that this phone was located away from the station on the northwest corner of a parking lot which is on a main highway going north and three employees at the station plus one other person had no information regarding use of this phone.

On February 15, 1968, Salt Lake City Division advised that the records of the Mountain States Telephone Company reflect telephone #364-0023 is the pay phone for the American Oil Company, 103 North Second West, Salt Lake City. This phone is an open type and located on the northeast corner of the parking lot of the above station. [redacted] of the American Oil Company, advised that [redacted] is unknown to him and he has no knowledge of any calls from Fayetteville, Arkansas. b6 b7C

At approximately 10:00 P.M. on March 6, 1968, a person who identified himself as [redacted] telephone [redacted] telephonically contacted the FBI Office at Seattle and advised that [redacted] ROBERT DE PUGH.

[redacted] advised that he was calling inasmuch as he had just read in local newspapers that ROBERT DE PUGH is being sought by the FBI on a charge connected with an alleged scheme to rob banks in the Redmond, Washington area, on which charge seven persons had been arrested in January, 1968. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that he and [redacted] have not had any contact with DE PUGH for an extended period of time inasmuch

as he and [redacted] realized a long time ago that although DE PUGH is seemingly a brilliant person, he has gotten off on the wrong track. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that he does not believe that DE PUGH would attempt to contact either him or [redacted] should he be in this area nor from anywhere else but if by any chance DE PUGH did do so he would immediately bring this to the attention of the FBI Office in Seattle as he does not want to become involved and believed that DE PUGH should face any charge brought against him.

On March 8, 1968, Kansas City Division advised that on the previous evening one [redacted] who has furnished both reliable and unreliable information in the past, had telephonically advised, allegedly from Seattle, Washington, that a [redacted] Spokane, Washington, had information concerning the present whereabouts of ROBERT DE PUGH. b6 b7C

On March 8, 1968, SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] determined from the [redacted] the Ohio Hotel, 414½ Main Street, Spokane, Washington, that [redacted] resides at this hotel and was working for a farmer in the valley known as '[redacted]'

On March 8, 1968, SA [redacted] interviewed [redacted] at his place of employment, East 15820 Broadway, Spokane, Washington, where [redacted] was trimming field bushes. [redacted] advised that approximately one week previous on or about March 1, 1968, he had started to walk into Frank's Cafe, North 123 Washington, in Spokane, Washington and just as he entered the door he saw an individual standing at the counter whom he thought could be ROBERT DE PUGH. He said this man was dressed in a white shirt, light tan pants, black shoes and was not wearing glasses and was clean shaven. b6 b7C

[redacted] said that as soon as he saw this male individual he, [redacted] backed out the door so that this other person would not see him. He said he thought no more about it until he saw an article in a local newspaper concerning DE PUGH's indictment.

[redacted] advised that in the event he sees this person again or hears anything about DE PUGH's whereabouts, he will immediately contact the FBI.

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On March 8, 1968, [redacted] Waitress, and HARVEY BOCKE, Cook, Frank's Cafe, North 123 Washington, Spokane, was shown a photograph of DE PUGH and both said that the person depicted in this photograph was not familiar to them. b6 b7C

On March 8, 1968, [redacted] of this cafe, was shown a photograph of DE PUGH, at which time she said that he looked familiar; however, she could not recall seeing any person who resembled the man depicted in this photograph during the past month.

She also said that in the event she ever sees the person again she would immediately contact the FBI.

On March 8, 1968, [redacted] Trans-American Insurance Company, Old National Bank Building, Spokane, Washington, advised SA [redacted] that she has neither seen nor heard anything about ROBERT DE PUGH since she reported to the FBI many months ago that she had received two $15,000 checks from an unknown person who she believes was DE PUGH. She said if she sees or hears anything about DE PUGH or his whereabouts she would immediately contact the FBI. b6 b7C

The following is a description of ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH as obtained from the Kansas City Division:

Name	ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH
Alias	BOB DE PUGH
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	4/15/23, Independence, Missouri
Height	5'10"
Weight	175 - 190
Build	Medium to large
Hair	Brown - balding
Eyes	Brown
Occupation	Head of Minutemen
FBI Number	179SE

The following is a description of WALTER PATRICK PEYSON as obtained from the Kansas City Division:

Name	WALTER PATRICK PEYSON
Alias	William Paul Petri, Walter Peyovich

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Date of Birth	4/26/42
Place of Birth	Listed as either Hazelhurst, Mississippi or Chicago, Illinois (not verified as of 3/3/68)
Height	5'7"
Weight	120-130
Build	Slender
Hair	Black-curly
Eyes	Brown
Race	White
Sex	Male
Occupation	Second in command of Minutemen
FBI Number	478437F

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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J. Edgar Hoover
Director.

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
Army	Robert Bolivar DePugh #17175190	12-1-42		
FCC Wash DC	Robert Bolivar DePugh #--	inquiry 12-8-42		
CSC	Robert Bolivar DePugh #--	7-13-43		
Chief of Pol Atchison Kans	Robert Bolivar De Pugh #2904	4-4-55	checks--no acct	4-9-56 Dismn
USM Kansas City Mo	Robert Boliver DePugh #02953	8-20-66	Section 371 T 18 USC 5851 & 5861 T 26 USC	Sent. 4 yrs. 1/24/67, appea same date, released $5,00 bond.

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
SO Kans City Mo	Walter Peyson #49015	12-29-65	hold for gov	out to USM
USM Kansas City Mo	Walter Patrick Peyson #02578	12-29-65	poss a firearm to wit a Browning .50 Caliber Machine gun, viol of Section 5811, Title 26 USC	
SO Kansas City Mo	Walter Patrick Peyson #50419	8-20-66	Hold for govt	9-2-66 Out to Gov
USM Kansas City Mo	Walter Patrick Peyson #02955	8-20-66	Sec 371 Title 18 Sec 5851 5861 Title 26	Sent. 2 yrs , 1/24/67, appeal same date, rel. $5,000 bond.

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CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
SO Colville Wash	Mervyn Edward Henderson	12-1-39	2nd aslt 100-29080 91-3733	
SO Colville Wash	Mervyn Edward Henderson #698	12-23-41	making false affidavit	assessed costs of $13.90
USM Seattle Wash	Mervyn Edward Henderson #USM 2241	1-26-68	conspiracy to commit bank robbery	

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

DE PUGH AND PEYSON SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS AS IT IS KNOWN THEY HAVE ACCESS TO FIREARMS AND REPORTEDLY WEAR HANDGUNS. DE PUGH ALSO REPORTEDLY SURROUNDS HIMSELF WITH GUARDS.

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FBI

Date: 3/6/68

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL (Priority)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872)

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (91-5472) P

SUBJECT: [redacted]
ROBERT B. DE PUGH -
FUGITIVE;
WALTER P. PEYSON -
FUGITIVE;
ETAL
BR - CONSPIRACY

OO: Seattle

Reference Seattle teletype to the Bureau dated 3/1/68.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau and Seattle is one copy each of photostatic copy of a self-explanatory Motion for Order to Show Cause Why Appeal Bond Should Not be Revoked, which is directed to Appellants ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH and WALTER P. PEYSON.

A copy of this motion was furnished to Kansas City Office by U. S. Attorney CALVIN K. HAMILTON, Western District of Missouri, and at that time he advised a copy of the foregoing was mailed March 6, 1968, to [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri, an attorney of record for Appellants.

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ENCLOSURE ATTACHED EX-110

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ENCLOSURE 66-07M

3 - Bureau (Enc. 1) (RM)
2 - Seattle (Enc. 1) (91-2732) (RM)
5 - Kansas City (2 - 91-5472)
(1 - 62-7797) (Minutemen)
(1 - 100-12406) (DePugh)
(1 - 105-2565) (Peyson)

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Special Agent in Charge

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Kansas City will continue to report these developments.

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IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT

ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH, Appellant, v. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Appellee.	No. 18732
WALTER P. PEYSON, Appellant, v. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Appellee.	No. 18733

MOTION FOR ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
WHY APPEAL BOND SHOULD NOT BE REVOKED

Comes now Calvin K. Hamilton, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, and moves the Court to enter an order directed to appellants Robert Bolivar DePugh and Walter P. Peyson to appear before this Court in person and show cause why the appeal bond executed on or about January 17, 1967, should not be revoked.

The Court is informed that the Honorable Elmo B. Hunter in fixing the bond on appeal informed the appellants that they were not to leave the Western District of Missouri except and unless they kept their attorneys informed at all times as to their itinerary.

The Court is advised that the appellants are charged in an indictment returned in the Western District of Washington,

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at Seattle, on or about February 20, 1968, with the crime of conspiracy. Federal officers, including agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, have been attempting to locate the appellants for the purpose of serving the warrant issued on that indictment.

Mr. William J. Gilwee, an attorney of record for appellants, when contacted by telephone on March 6, 1968, and informed of the existence of the warrant for the arrest of the appellants, stated that he had not been in contact with the appellants for several days and that he was advised by Mrs. Robert Bolivar DePugh that she had not seen her husband and/or Walter P. Peyson for several days and did not know where they were. In view of the foregoing, this Court is requested to enter an order directing these appellants to appear in person before the Court to show cause why their appeal bond should not be revoked.

It is respectfully submitted that this is necessary to insure that these appellants will be available in the future for personal service of any order or mandate of this Court.

CALVIN K. HAMILTON
United States Attorney

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was mailed this 6th day of March, 1968, to Mr. William J. Gilwee, 311 Argyle Building, Kansas City, Missouri, an attorney of record for appellants.

CALVIN K. HAMILTON

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FBI

Date: 3/14/68

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872)

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (91-5472) P

[redacted] WR
ROBERT B. DE PUGH, aka -
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WALTER P. PEYSON, aka -
FUGITIVE
ETAL
BR - CONSPIRACY
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Re teletype to Director from Salt Lake City, 3/13/68.

Kansas City indices negative re [redacted] For information Salt Lake City, [redacted] WALTER P. PEYSON, currently residing [redacted] Missouri. Neighborhood source [redacted] and [redacted] cooperating with Kansas City Office. Investigation continuing.

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3 Bureau
1 Salt Lake City (91-3072)
1 Seattle (91-2732)
3 Kansas City
(2-91-5472)
(1-105-2565)
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Special Agent in Charge

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FBI

Date: 3/13/68

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TO : Director, FBI (91-28872)

FROM : SAC, New Haven (91-2555) (P)

SUBJECT: [redacted]
ET AL
Redman State Bank,
Redman, Washington;
First National Bank of Redman,
Redman, Wash;
Seattle Trust and Savings Bank
Des Moines Branch, Des Moines, Wash.
BR - CONSPIRACY

(OO: SEATTLE)

RE: Seattle airtel to Bureau, 3/1/68.

On 3/12/68, photos of subjects ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH and WALTER PATRICK PEYSON were exhibited to [redacted] Informant advised he would remain alert for any information bearing upon the possible location of either of these subjects.

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In this connection it is pointed out to the Bureau and Seattle that this informant is a member of an extremely active "Minutemen" group in the State of Conn. of which group [redacted] is also a member. [redacted] has in the past been a [redacted] Patriotic Party (now defunct in Conn.), the political arm of "Minutemen" and he has also in the past spent time with DE PUGH in Missouri at the National Headquarters of "MINUTEMEN."

On 3/12/68, this same informant advised that at a "MINUTEMEN" meeting held at Stratford, Conn., 3/6/68, [redacted] said during this meeting, that the "feds" couldn't get DE PUGH on the gun law so they trumped up the new charges against him.

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[redacted] also a MINUTEMEN member and [redacted] in the State of Conn. said at this same meeting that he had recently received a letter from [redacted] dated one week before the news broke in the press concerning DE PUGH's indictment. According to the informant, [redacted] related to those in attendance that [redacted] said in her letter, "they" couldn't get [redacted] on the gun charges so now "they" want to get him on the Seattle thing but they won't be able to hold him on this either.

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[redacted] said at this same meeting that DE PUGH was not hiding and that it was not true that DE PUGH was growing a beard. According to the informant [redacted] said that DE PUGH was not putting in an appearance at this time because he needed to raise $30,000 for bond money and that as soon as he was able to get the $30,000 he would turn himself in.

New Haven is following this matter with above mentioned source.

DE PUGH and PEYSON SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS AS IT IS KNOWN THEY HAVE ACCESS TO FIREARMS AND REPORTEDLY WEAR GUNS.

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GSA FPMR (41 CFR) 101-11.6

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO :DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872) DATE: 3/14/68

FROM : SAC, PHOENIX (91-2499)(RUC)

SUBJECT: [redacted] aka; NR
ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE;
[redacted] aka;
MERVYN EDWARD HENDERSON;
[redacted] aka;
WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE;
[redacted]
Redmond State Bank,
Redmond, Washington;
First National Bank of Redmond,
Redmond, Washington;
Seattle Trust and Savings Bank,
Des Moines Branch, Des Moines, Wash.
BANK ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY
OO: SE

Re SE airtel to Bureau, 3/1/68.

[redacted] who is familiar with the activities of ROBERT B. DE PUGH and WALTER PATRICK PEYSON and knows them by sight, advised on 3/12/68 that he has not seen these individuals in the Phoenix area recently, but that he will be alert to their presence in Arizona and advise the Phoenix Office of the FBI if their whereabouts become known to him.

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2 - Seattle (91-2732)
3 - Phoenix
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(1 - [redacted])

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ENCLOSURE

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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FBI

Date: 3/6/68

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872)

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (91-5472) P

SUBJECT: [redacted]
ROBERT B. DE PUGH -
FUGITIVE;
WALTER P. PEYSON -
FUGITIVE;
ETAL
BR - CONSPIRACY

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OO: Seattle

Reference Seattle teletype to the Bureau dated 3/1/68.

On March 5, 1968, Sergeant [redacted] Missouri Highway Patrol, advised he arrested ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH on February 13, 1968, on a charge of driving with expired Missouri license plates. At this time DE PUGH was driving a 1965 green Chevrolet, 1967 Missouri license ZNO-025. A complaint number 659853 was issued, and DE PUGH was scheduled to appear in police court in Richmond, Missouri, on March 5, 1968. DE PUGH did not appear and a warrant for his arrest has been issued on this charge. [redacted] stated

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(1 - 100-12406) (DePugh)
(1 - 105-2565) (Peyson)

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Special Agent in Charge

that at the time of this arrest DE PUGH wore a full beard which he was growing for the Norborne, Missouri, Centennial which is to take place August 9, 10, and 11, 1968. [redacted] b6 b7C stated he knows DE PUGH personally and has not seen him in the area of Norborne or Richmond, Missouri, since this arrest.

On March 5, 1968, [redacted] Norborne, Missouri, advised that she knows [redacted] is [redacted] WALTER PEYSON. She stated she does not know the whereabouts of PEYSON or DE PUGH but stated it was her understanding that [redacted] is now [redacted] b6 b7C during July, 1968, and she is reportedly residing with [redacted] name unknown, residing in Kansas City, Missouri. [redacted] stated that [redacted] is employed at Stampers Company in Carrollton, Missouri, and she would be able to furnish the name of the [redacted]

On March 5, 1968, [redacted] Norborne, Missouri, advised that she cares for [redacted] She stated that on the afternoon of March 4, 1968, she was talking to the [redacted] at which time she stated she had not seen [redacted] for at least two weeks and had no idea of his present whereabouts. [redacted] stated this was prior to the recent publicity in the news media that a federal warrant was outstanding for subject DE PUGH. b6 b7C

Kansas City Office will continue efforts to locate ROBERT DEPUGH and WALTER PEYSON.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATION SECTION
MAR 14 1968

FBI WASH DC

TELETYPE

Mr. Tolson
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Mr. Mohr
Mr. Bishop
Mr. Casper
Mr. Callahan
Mr. Conrad
Mr. Felt
Mr. Gale
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Tavel
Mr. Trotter
Tele. Room
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Miss Gandy

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8:32 PM MST URGENT 3/14/68 LOJ

TO: DIRECTOR (91-28872), NEW ORLEANS AND SEATTLE (91-2732)

FROM SALT LAKE CITY (91-3072) 1P

ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH, FUGITIVE; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON AKA FUGITIVE.

ET AL BANK ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY OO:SE.

RESUTELS TO DIRECTOR THREE THIRTEEN SIXTYEIGHT.

LAST NIGHT [redacted] FAILED TO RECEIVE PHONE CALL FROM PEYSON.

[redacted] INTERVIEWED, ADMITS KNOWING PEYSON AS PILLNR ERICKSON FOR APPROXIMATELY FIVE MONTHS. DENIES KNOWLEDGE OF ANY MINUTEMAN ACTIVITIES, ADMITS HANDLING ERRANDS FOR PEYSON. [redacted] PICKED UP PEYSON'S WHITE PANEL TRUCK FROM CLEVELAND, UTAH, HAS HAD VEHICLE HIS HOME SINCE SUNDAY THREE TEN LAST, HE IS TO RECEIVE FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS TOMORROW NIGHT. [redacted] HAS BEEN CONTACTED BY PEYSON THROUGH PREARRANGED MEETING PLACE DOWN TOWN SALT LAKE CITY.

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POLICE CLEVELAND, UTAH, HAVE OBSERVED WHITE PANEL TRUCK ~~UNKNOWN~~ LOUISIANA LICENSE IN CLEVELAND AREA PAST TWO OR THREE WEEKS.

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TRUCK EXAMINED AT [redacted] HOME: GMC MODEL WESTPHAL ~~VIN~~ ONE ZERO ZERO ONE A N ONE FOUR EIGHT TWO A, COLOR WHITE.

NEW ORLEANS AT BATON ROUGE ADVISE IF GMC TRUCK VIN ONE ZERO ZERO ONE A N ONE FOUR EIGHT TWO A EVER REGISTERED LOUISIANA.

MAR 25 1968

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SALT LAKE CITY CONTINUING TO CONDUCT EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE PEYSON IN UTAH, INCLUDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF PEYSON'S CONTACTS AND ACTIVITIES IN THE STATE. CONSTANT CONTACT WILL BE MAINTAINED WITH THOSE PERSONS PROVIDING INFORMATION THIS MATTER INCLUDING [redacted] b6 b7C

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OFFICES ADVISED SEPARATELY.

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FBI WASH DC

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cc: W. Foster

2-29-68

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TO SAC SEATTLE (91-2732)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (91-28872) — 83

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ROBERT BOLIVER DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE; ET AL, BANK ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY, OO: SEATTLE

RESETEL FEBRUARY TWENTYEIGHT LAST.

IMMEDIATE ALL-OUT STEPS MUST BE TAKEN TO EFFECT APPREHENSIONS OF DE PUGH AND PEYSON. IN THIS CONNECTION, IOS MIGHT POSSIBLY BE OF MATERIAL ASSISTANCE, YOU MUST IMMEDIATELY MAKE KNOWN TO USA NECESSITY OF SUCH ACTION AND REMOVAL OF VEIL OF SECRECY FROM INDICTMENT. PROMPTLY PREPARE AND FORWARD TO BUREAU FD SIXTYONE FORM PERTAINING TO EACH FUGITIVE.

PREPARE AND DISSEMINATE SUCCINCT SUMMARY AIRTEL TO ALL FIELD OFFICES CONTAINING CASE BACKGROUND, FEDERAL PROCESS OUTSTANDING, PHYSICAL DESCRIPTIONS INCLUDING FINGERPRINT CLASSIFICATIONS, AND REPORTED MINUTEMEN FUTURE PLANS TO COMMIT VIOLENT CRIMINAL ACTS. TRANSMIT GOOD LIKENESS PHOTOS OF BOTH FUGITIVES AS ENCLOSURES.

INSTRUCT EACH OFFICE TO CONTACT INFORMANTS AND RELIABLE SOURCES HAVING KNOWLEDGE OF MINUTEMEN AND RIGHT-WING ORGANIZATIONS' ACTIVITIES FOR INFORMATION ACCOUNTING FOR FUGITIVES' APPREHENSIONS.

VIA TELETYPE
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1 - Mr. J. Donald Huppert Room 5716

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TELETYPE TO SEATTLE
RE: ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH

SUTEL RESULTS OF CONTACT WITH USA.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

NOTE: This is the case which received nation-wide publicity when seven subjects were arrested 1-26-68 by Bureau Agents in Washington State for conspiring to rob banks in order to raise money for the Minutemen, a secret anti-communist organization. Secret indictment returned and bench warrant issued 2-20-68 in Seattle against seven defendants including DePugh, national coordinator of the Minutemen and his chief assistant Walter Patrick Peyson as they were implicated in this conspiracy. Whereabouts of DePugh and Peyson has not been established although USA has indicated that he is in touch with subjects' attorney who will surrender the fugitives. Such surrender has not taken place and it is believed important to get this matter promptly resolved.

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F B I SEATTLE

658 PM DEFERRED 2/28/68 PJW

TO DIRECTOR (91-28872)

FROM SEATTLE (91-2732) /1PG/

[redacted] ROBERT B. DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; WALTER P. PEYSON - FUGITIVE; ET AL. BR - CONSPIRACY. OO: SEATTLE.

REBUTEL FEBRUARY TWENTYSEVEN LAST.

[redacted] ADVISED THIS DATE THAT HE HAD BEEN IN TELEPHONIC CONTACT WITH [redacted] YESTERDAY, AND SHE ASSURED HIM DE PUGH IS STILL GOING TO SURRENDER AT SEATTLE. [redacted] ADVISED HE PERSONALLY DOES NOT KNOW DE PUGH'S WHEREABOUTS, AND DOES NOT KNOW WHEN DE PUGH AND PEYSON INTEND TO SURRENDER THEMSELVES.

AS OF THIS MOMENT, THE USA AT SEATTLE IS NOT DESIROUS OF HAVING SECRET INDICTMENT IN THIS MATTER PUBLISHED. CONTACT WILL BE MAINTAINED WITH USA IN EFFORT TO HAVE THE INDICTMENT PUBLISHED, AND THE BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED. -P-

--- DE PUGH AND PEYSON SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS ---

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FBI-SLC-CITY

11:42 PM MST URGENT 3/15/68 LOJ

TO DIRECTOR (91-28872), AND SEATTLE (91-2732)

FROM SALT LAKE CITY (91-3072) 1P

ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE;
ET AL BANK ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY OO: SEATTLE.

RESUTEL TO DIRECTOR THREE FOURTEEN SIXTYEIGHT.

PEYSON FAILED TO CONTACT [redacted] THIS PM. [redacted] BELIEVES WILL BE CONTACTED, HAS PREVIOUS INSTRUCTIONS FROM PEYSON THAT HE WILL BE CONTACTED EVERY TUESDAY SHOULD PREARRANGED MEETING FAIL TO MATERIALIZE.

INVESTIGATION AT CLEVELAND, DISCLOSED HOUSE RENTED TWO TWENTYSIX LAST BY ONE [redacted] MEN WERE DRIVING WHITE PANEL TRUCK OUT OF STATE LICENSE. REAL ESTATE AGENT "LIKES" PHOTOS OF DE PUGH AND PEYSON, COULD NOT POSITIVLY IDENTIFY. BOTH MEN LAST SEEN CLEVELAND AREA A WEEK AGO.

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SU CONTINUTING TO CONDUCT EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE SUBJECTS, INCLUDING APPROIATELY COVERAGE ON PANEL TRUCK AND HOUSE IN CLEVELAND, UTAH.

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TELETYPE URGENT

Mr. Fletcher Thompson
Room 5716
Mr. Joseph Marion,
Room 810, 9th & D

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TO SAC SALT LAKE CITY (91-3072)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (91-28872)

ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH, FUGITIVE; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON, AKA, FUGITIVE, ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY, OO: SEATTLE

RESUTEL MARCH THIRTEEN LAST.

BASED UPON INFORMATION FURNISHED, NO FUGITIVE WANTS LOCATED IN GENERAL FUGITIVE INDICES, IDENT DIVISION OR NCIC RE [redacted]

CASE IS OF UTMOST IMPORTANCE TO BUREAU. AS PEYSON REPORTED TO HAVE RECENTLY DRIVEN TRUCK OBSERVED IN [redacted] DRIVEWAY, b6 b7C MAINTAIN PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE ON VEHICLE AND ESTABLISH RELIABLE NEIGHBORHOOD COVERAGE ON RESIDENCE. BE ALERT TO POSSIBILITY [redacted] KEY FIGURE IN HARBORING DE PUGH, PEYSON, AND POSSIBLY [redacted] AKA, FUGITIVE, IO THREE NINE FOUR SIX, BAIL JUMPER, OO: LA, REPORTEDLY A MINUTEMAN. NOTIFY ADJACENT FIELD OFFICES TO DEVELOPMENTS.

SUTEL IN SUMMARY INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED SUBSEQUENT TO REFERENCED TEL. INCLUDE CONTEMPLATED ACTION TO APPREHEND FUGITIVES. COPY MAILED SEATTLE AND LOS ANGELES.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

1 - Seattle
1 - Los Angeles

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NOTE: DePugh and Peyson are the two top minutemen officials sought for bank robbery - conspiracy. Investigation conducted to date indicates Peyson using aliases was in Salt Lake City, Utah, area January - March 5, 1968. Peyson associated with [redacted] during this period. This important fugitive investigation being pressed.

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FBI-SLC-CITY

7:30 PM MST URGENT 3/13/68 LOJ

TO DIRECTOR (91-28872) ATTN NCIC, OMAHA, DENVER

FROM SALT LAKE CITY (91-3072) 2P

"CHANGED INTEROFFICE" [redacted] AKA [redacted]; ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; [redacted]; MERVYN EDWARD HENDERSON; [redacted]; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON, AKA BILL ERICKSON - FUGITIVE; [redacted] REDMOND STATE BANK, REDMOND, WASHINGTON; FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF REDMOND, REDMOND, WASHINGTON; SEATTLE TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK, DES MOINES BRANCH, DES MOINES, WASHINGTON; BANK ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY. OO: SEATTLE.

TITLE MARKED CHANGED TO INCLUDE NAME SUBJECT PEYSON USED WHILE RESIDING IN SU.

FOR INFORMATION OMAHA, DENVER, SUBJECT PEYSON IDENTIFIED RESIDING SALT LAKE CITY FROM JANUARY EIGHT LAST TO MARCH FIVE LAST, AT THREE TWO TWO NORTH NINTH WEST, SU.

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INFORMATION REGARDING PEYSON'S ACTIVITIES FURNISHED BY TWO GIRLS WHO HAD DAILY CONTACT WITH PEYSON UNTIL MARCH FIVE LAST. ON ONE OCCASION ONE GIRL MADE CONTACT TELEPHONE CALL FOR HIM TO SU PHONE NUMBER. SUBSCRIBER OF NUMBER [redacted] UTAH.

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INSTANT DATE [redacted] APARTMENTS THREE TWO TWO b6 b7C
NORTH NINTH WEST, SU, ADVISED PEYSON RESIDED THAT ADDRESS FROM JANUARY EIGHT LAST TO FEBRUARY TWENTYFIVE LAST. DURING STAY THERE PEYSON DRIVING WHITE PANEL TRUCK LICENSE UNKNOWN, WITH SIGN IN WINDOW ADVISING TRUCK EQUIPPED WITH BURGLAR ALARM. [redacted] ADVISED PEYSON LAST SEEN DRIVING THIS TRUCK.

WHITE PANEL TRUCK OBSERVED TODAY DRIVEWAY OF [redacted] TRUCK HAS SIGN IN WINDOW "THIS TRUCK EQUIPPED WITH BURGLAR ALARM." NEIGHBORS ADVISED [redacted] FROM DES MOINES, IOWA AND DENVER, COLORADO AND [redacted] INFORMED b6 b7C NEIGHBORS WAS WANTED BY THE FBI IN DES MOINES.

[redacted] DESCRIBED WMA, DOB [redacted] SIX FEET, TWO HUNDRED THIRTY POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, BLUE EYES.

BUREAU THROUGH NCIC ADVISE ANY WANTS [redacted] NR-NC IC

OMAHA SUTEL IF [redacted] WANTED BY FBI OR LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

DENVER SUPPLY INFO YOUR FILES RE [redacted]

AIRMAIL COPY TO SEATTLE

ARMED AND DANGEROUS. P.

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OFFICES ADVISED SEPARATELY.

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CC- MR. TROTTER

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
MAY 1962 EDITION
GSA GEN. REG. NO. 27

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. Rosen

DATE: February 21, 1968

FROM : R. Shroder

1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. Shroder
1 - Mr. Thompson
1 - Mr. Bishop
1 - Mr. Gale
1 - Mr. Sullivan

SUBJECT: [redacted]
ROBERT B. DE PUGH - FUGITIVE;
WALTER P. PEYSON - FUGITIVE;
ET AL.
BANK ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY

This is to advise that SAC Dissly of the Kansas City Office was contacted at 9:42 a.m., 2-21-68, and instructed to immediately telephone the Bureau when De Pugh and/or Peyson had been apprehended.

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This is the case in which seven subjects were arrested by Bureau Agents of the Seattle Office on 1-26-68, for conspiracy to rob banks to raise money for the Minutemen organization. On 2-20-68, true bill indictments were returned against five of the original subjects (the other two are going to be tried on the basis of informations). In addition, indictments were also returned against De Pugh and Peyson, the two top officials of the Minutemen organization.

SAC Dissly advised that De Pugh and Peyson have both been out of town (they live in Kansas City) and their present whereabouts is not known. SAC Dissly was instructed to advise the Bureau, if possible, before they are arrested; and simultaneous arrests of Peyson and De Pugh would be desirable. He will keep the Bureau immediately advised of developments. SAC, Dissly assured the Bureau he has adequate personnel working on this matter.

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ACTION: For information.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872) DATE: 3/20/68

FROM : SAC, PHOENIX (91-2499) (P)

SUBJECT: [redacted]
ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE;
[redacted] aka;
MERVYN EDWARD HENDERSON;
[redacted] aka;
WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE;
[redacted]
Redmond State Bank,
Redmond, Washington;
Seattle Trust and Savings Bank,
Des Moines Branch, Des Moines, Washington
BANK ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY
OO: SE

Re Detroit teletype to Bureau and Phoenix, 3/15/68.

DE PUGH AND PEYSON SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS AS IT IS KNOWN THEY HAVE ACCESS TO FIREARMS AND REPORTEDLY WEAR HAND GUNS.

[redacted] advised on 3/19/68, that in a pretext conversation with [redacted] at [redacted] Phoenix, Arizona, he learned that [redacted] received a personal letter from ROBERT B. DE PUGH this week, wherein DE PUGH acknowledged that he is in hiding from Federal authorities, because of a secret indictment that was returned against him in Seattle recently. The letter was handwritten in DE PUGH's handwriting and was couched in terms charging Federal authorities with police brutality tactics and harrassment of all those under indictment.

EX-115 REC-71 91-2[illegible]-87

Of interest was the comment that he (DE PUGH) learned of the return of the "secret indictment" through a confidential source, thus enabling him to go into hiding.

The purpose of the letter was to get [redacted] to print and publish the details of the harrassment of DE PUGH and otherwise propagandize the benevolent and patriotic influence of DE PUGH's Minutemen organization.

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3 - Bureau (RAM)
3 - Phoenix
(1 - [redacted])
3 - Seattle (1 (RAM)
1 - Detroit (Info) (RAM)

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APR 1 1968

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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PX 91-2499
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The letter was written on the letterhead of the Minutemen and Patriotic Party and DE PUGH referred to the letter as "UNDERGROUND NEWS BULLETIN NO. 1," and requested that its contents be sent to as many people as possible. Source advised that he will make an effort to obtain a copy of the letter in question. The whereabouts of DE PUGH was not known to [redacted] b2 b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] advised that he has had a speaking acquaintance with [redacted] for the past three years. Their permanent residence is at Sedona, Arizona, where they operate a print shop. Among other things, they publish the "Arizona Newsletter," which is politically oriented with ROBERT B. DE PUGH's publication "BLUEPRINT FOR VICTORY."

[redacted] is an accountant; and, as such, he sets up an office in Phoenix during income-tax season as an income-tax consultant. He currently has his residence and office at [redacted] Phoenix. The [redacted] b6
[redacted] address at [redacted] as set forth in referenced b7C teletype, is an address [redacted] used two years ago.

Investigation continuing.

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TO DIRECTOR (AIRMAIL), SEATTLE (91-2732), NEW ORLEANS, AND KANSAS CITY

FROM SALT LAKE CITY (91-3072)

"CHANGED." [redacted] ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; [redacted]; MERVYN EDWARD HENDERSON; [redacted] AKA [redacted]; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON, AKA BILL ERICKSON - FUGITIVE; [redacted] REDMOND STATE BANK, REDMOND, WASHINGTON; FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF REDMOND, REDMOND, WASHINGTON; SEATTLE TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK, DES MOINES BRANCH, DES MOINES, WASHINGTON; BANK ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY. OO: SEATTLE

TITLE MARKED CHANGED TO INCLUDE NAME SUBJECT PEYSON USED WHILE RESIDING IN SALT LAKE CITY.

RE SU TELETYPE TO SE MARCH EIGHT LAST, SE TELETYPE SU MARCH EIGHT LAST, AND BUAIRTEL TO SU MARCH ELEVEN LAST.

INVESTIGATION AT AIRLINES, BUS, RAILWAY TERMINALS, AND CAR RENTAL AGENCIES, NEGATIVE TO DATE.

1 - Bureau (91-28872) (AM)
1 - SU 91-3072
1 - SU 100-9641 (Minutemen)

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[redacted] AFTER REPEATED INTERVIEW, NOW CONTEND PEYSON HAS GROWN MUSTACHE AND WEARS DARK HORN RIMMED GLASSES. [redacted] BELIEVES PEYSON MET UNKNOWN MAN AFTERNOON MARCH FIVE LAST AND DEPARTED SU WITH HIM BY CAR. [redacted] CONTINUE TO ADVISE THEY ARE UNAWARE PEYSON'S ADDRESS OR ACTIVITIES IN SU. BOTH ADVISED PEYSON USED TO MAKE CONTACTS BY PUBLIC TELEPHONE. NO CONTACTS MADE IN THEIR PRESENCE. BOTH GIRLS ADVISED THAT ASSOCIATION WAS GENERALLY LIMITED TO MEETINGS IN THEIR APARTMENT.

ON MARCH ELEVEN LAST, [redacted] ADVISED THEY WISHED TO FULLY COOPERATE WITH BUREAU AND [redacted] ADVISED THAT ON MARCH TWO LAST PEYSON TELEPHONICALLY ASKED HER TO MAKE TELEPHONE CONTACT IN SU AND INSTRUCT THE ANSWERING PARTY TO GO TO "MEETING PLACE NUMBER TWO WHERE HE WILL BE RECONTACTED." [redacted] SUBSEQUENTLY CALLED ANOTHER NUMBER AND CONTACTED SAME PARTY AT WHICH TIME PARTY SAID "THE MACHINERY HAD NOT BEEN MOVED BUT WILL BE MOVED THIS WEEKEND." LATER THAT NIGHT PEYSON CALLED [redacted] FOR RESULTS OF CONTACT. NO NAMES USED IN CONVERSATION, HOWEVER, [redacted] RECORDED TELEPHONE NUMBER CALLED AND PROVIDED SAME TO BUAGENTS. TELEPHONE LISTED TO [redacted] [redacted] UTAH. INVESTIGATION AT KEARNS REVEALED

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[redacted] OUTSPOKEN ADVOCATES OF MINUTEMEN MOVEMENT.

EVENING OF MARCH TWELVE LAST, [redacted] ADVISED THAT AFTER DISCUSSION WITH [redacted] SHE BELIEVED THAT PEYSON ONCE TOLD HER HE RESIDED THREE TWO TWO NORTH NINTH WEST, SU. PEYSON FREQUENTLY CALLED HER AND ON OCCASION INDICATED CALLING FROM AN ALBERTSON'S FOOD STORE. PEYSON IDENTIFIED THROUGH PHOTOGRAPH AS OCCASIONALLY USING PUBLIC TELEPHONE AT ALBERTSON's, ONE FOUR ZERO NORTH EIGHTH WEST. b6 b7C

[redacted] ADVISED PEYSON NEVER SEEN WITH VEHICLE; BELIEVED TO HAVE WALKED TO AND FROM THEIR APARTMENT. STATE THEY KNOW OF NO OTHER MODE OF TRANSPORTATION AND NO INTEREST OR ACTIVITIES OF PEYSON IN SU OTHER THAN THOSE DESCRIBED ABOVE.

FOR INFO OF NEW ORLEANS, ON [redacted] FIRST CONTACT WITH PEYSON HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY ONE [redacted] ALLEGEDLY FROM LOUISIANA. [redacted] DRIVING A SIXTYTHREE WHITE CHEVROLET WITH UNKNOWN LOUISIANA LICENSE NUMBER. ON MARCH ELEVEN AND TWELVE LAST [redacted] ADVISED [redacted] TOLD THEM HE WAS A TEACHER IN A BOYS SCHOOL IN A TOWN OUTSIDE NEW ORLEANS. [redacted] OPERATES A USED CAR LOT THE SAME CITY. NAME OF TOWN UNKNOWN, POSSIBLY BEGINS b6 b7C

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WITH LETTER S. [redacted] DESCRIBED AS WMA, APPROXIMATELY TWENTYFIVE YEARS OLD, FIVE FEET EIGHT, STOCKY BUILD, BLACK HAIR, HEAVY SOUTHERN ACCENT. [redacted] ALLEGEDLY RETURNED TO LOUISIANA APPROXIMATELY JANUARY NINETEEN LAST. NOT OBSERVED AFTER JANUARY EIGHTEEN LAST. b6 b7C

ON MARCH ELEVEN AND TWELVE LAST, [redacted] ADVISED PEYSON MADE TENTATIVE ARRANGEMENTS TO CONTACT THEM THROUGH PUBLIC TELEPHONE BOOTH AT THIRD EAST FIRST SOUTH, SU. PEYSON INSTRUCTED [redacted] BE AT ABOVE PHONE BOOTH EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT FROM NINE TO NINE FIFTEEN PM AND HE WOULD CALL DURING THAT TIME IF POSSIBLE.

[redacted] STATED ONE OCCASION PEYSON CALLED AND COULD NOT MEET HER AS HE WAS PREPARING PAMPHLETS THAT HAD TO BE READY BY UNKNOWN DATE TO BE PICKED UP BY SOMEONE FROM OUT OF TOWN. [redacted] STATED THAT SHORTLY BEFORE PEYSON LEFT SU TOLD HER HE WAS [redacted] DID NOT MENTION [redacted] NAME, STILL LOVED [redacted] BUT LEFT HER TO KEEP HER FROM BEING INVOLVED. b6 b7C

[redacted] STILL MAINTAIN UNAWARE OF PEYSON'S TRUE IDENTITY UNTIL AFTERNOON OF MARCH FIVE LAST.

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CONTACT WITH INFORMANTS AND SOURCES TO DATE NEGATIVE.

KANSAS CITY WILL ADVISE ANY RECORD OF [redacted] BEING AFFILIATED WITH MINUTEMEN. NOTE [redacted] AND HIS DOB [redacted] b6 b7C

NEW ORLEANS AT BATON ROGUE WILL REVIEW DMV RECORDS, DRIVER'S LICENSE RECORDS AND OTHER LOGICAL SOURCES TO IDENTIFY, LOCATE AND INTERVIEW [redacted]

SEATTLE FURNISH SU ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS AND COMPLETE BACKGROUND ON PEYSON.

SU AFFORDING COVERAGE TELEPHONE BOOTH LOCATED THIRD EAST FIRST SOUTH ON INSTANT DATE.

WILL REINTERVIEW [redacted] FOR ANY ADDITIONAL DETAILS PEYSON'S ACTIVITIES. WILL INTERVIEW [redacted] CONDUCT INVESTIGATION VICINITY THREE TWO TWO NORTH NINTH WEST. WILL CONDUCT ALL LOGICAL INVESTIGATION TO DEVELOP PEYSON'S CONTACTS AND ACTIVITIES IN SU. b6 b7C

THE BUREAU HAS ADVISED THAT THIS INVESTIGATION BE GIVEN CONSTANT ATTENTION AND BE VIGOROUSLY PURSUED.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

EACH OFFICE ADVISED SEPARATELY. END. P.

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6-59PM MST URGENT 3/18/68 LSB

TO DIRECTOR (91-28872) AND SEATTLE (91-2732)

FROM SALT LAKE CITY (91-3072) (P) 1P

ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH, FUGITIVE; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON, AKA, FUGITIVE, ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY, OO: SEATTLE.

RE SU TEL TO DIRECTOR THREE FIFTEEN SIXTYEIGHT.

PEYSON FAILED TO MAKE CONTAC[redacted]OVER WEEKEND. [redacted] BELIEVES WILL BE PERSONALLY OR TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED THREE NINETEEN NEXT.

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INVESTIGATION TO DEVELOP PEYSON'S CONTACTS, PRICE, CLEVELAND, UTAH AREA CONTINUING.

SALT LAKE CITY MAINTAINING APPROPRIATE COVERAGE PANEL TRUCK AND HOUSE, CLEVELAND, UTAH.

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1223AM DEFERRED 3-15-68 VMC

TO DIRECTOR PHOENIX

FROM DETROIT 2P

[redacted] ROBERT BOLIVAR PUGH - FUGITIVE; ET AL; REDMOND STATE BANK, REDMOND, WASHINGTON; FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF REDMOND, REDMOND, WASHINGTON; SEATTLE TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK, DES MOINES BRANCH, DES MOINES, WASHINGTON. BR - CONSPIRACY. OO: SE.

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ON THREE FOURTEEN, INSTANT, [redacted] RECEIVED PACKAGE WITH RETURN ADDRESS P.O. BOX ONE EIGHT FOUR, MUNCIE, KANSAS, POSTMARKED PM THREE ELEVEN, LAST, AT MAIN OFFICE, PHOENIX, ARIZONA. PACKAGE CONTAINED "MINUTEMEN UNDERGROUND

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NEWS BULLETIN NUMBER ONE," AND TWENTY FIVE ENVELOPES ADDRESSED TO VARIOUS NEWS MEDIA, COMPANIES AND PRIVATE CITIZENS THROUGHOUT THE U.S., WITH NOTE SIGNED BOB DE PUGH, INSTRUCTING INFORMANT TO MAIL LETTERS FROM DETROIT, MICH.

ONE LETTER ADDRESSED ~~TO WES~~TERMANN AND ASSOCIATES, ELEVEN ZERO ONE INDIAN SCHOOL ROAD, WEST, PHOENIX, ARIZONA.

PHOENIX ALERT LOGICAL INFORMANTS AND SOURCES TO POSSIBILITY DE PUGH IN PHOENIX AREA. DETERMINE SIGNIFICANCE OF WESTERMANN AND ASSOCIATES. DURING CONTACTS, DO NOT REVEAL SOURCE OF ABOVE INFORMATION.

AM COPIES SEATTLE, DENVER AND KANSAS CITY.

SUBJECTS ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

RECEIVED 12:52AM MSE

cc- Mr. Rosen

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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FBI WASH DC

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10:03 PM MST URGENT 3/20/68 LES

TO DIRECTOR (91-28872), AND SEATTLE (91-2732)

FROM SALT LAKE CITY (91-3072)

ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH, FUGITIVE; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON, AKA, FUGITIVE, BR - CONSPIRACY. OO - SEATTLE.

RE SALT LAKE CITY TEL TO DIRECTOR, MARCH NINETEEN LAST.

PEYSON FAILED TO CONTACT [redacted] THIS P.M. BOTH GIRLS NOW "HAVE DOUBTS" THAT SUBJECT WILL CALL.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING SALT LAKE CITY AND PRICE, UTAH. APPROPRIATE COVERAGE BEING MAINTAINED PANEL TRUCK, AND HOUSE, IN CLEVELAND, UTAH.

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OFFICES ADVISED SEPARATELY.

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cc - Mr. Rosen

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Date: 3/19/68

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872) (62-107261)

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (91-5472) (62-7797)

[redacted]

ROBERT B. DE PUGH, aka -
FUGITIVE;
WALTER P. PEYSON, aka -
FUGITIVE;
ETAL
BR - CONSPIRACY

00: Seattle

321,960 3-15-93 9803 RDD/CAL

Enclosed for the Bureau are four (4) copies of an undated, handwritten letter by ROBERT B. DE PUGH on stationary bearing the caption "Minutemen", Underground Headquarters, and four (4) copies of Underground News Bulletin No. 1. Four copies of the above are designated for the Seattle Office.

[redacted] on 3/19/68 furnished Xerox copies of the above to the Kansas City Office. He advised he received this material upon his return to his office 3/19/68 after being away from the office since 3/15/68. The envelope bears a Kansas City postmark; however, the exact date is not discernable.

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ENCLOSURE ATTACHED For the information of Seattle, [redacted], who has been very cooperative to the Kansas City Office for the past two years, has been in the process of [redacted]

+ ENCLOSURE

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concerning the Minutemen organization and has been in frequent contact with DE PUGH. The [redacted] is scheduled for [redacted] in August, 1968. [redacted] stated that DEPUGH has repeatedly told him in the past that should he ever go underground or into hiding he, [redacted], would be the first to know.

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ENCLOSURES TO BURAU: (8)

Bufile 91-28872
KC 91-5472

Encl'd 4 copies of undated, handwritten letter by ROBERT B. DE PUGH & four copies Underground News Bulletin No. 1.

ReKCairtel to Bureau, 3/19/68.

ENCLOSURE 91-28872-92 ENCLOSURE

"Minutemen"
UNDERGROUND HEADQUARTERS

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Dear [redacted] Just got your
note to the Editor and
[redacted] at the market.
Better write it
saying I make two.
Yours for the revolution!
Ed Hays

We the restoration of our Constitutional Republic to the defense of individual freedom and to the preservation

UNDERGROUND NEWS BULLETIN No. 1

For Immediate Release

From:

Robert B. DePugh
National Coordinator, Minutemen

For the past month, Walter Peyson and I have been hunted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The supposedly legal government of the United States has declared that we are fugitives from justice. The fact is that we are fugitives from injustice.

We are fugitives, not because we made machine guns, or robbed banks, or kidnapped little girls. We are fugitives because we dared to openly oppose those traitors in our own government who have destroyed our Constitutional Republic and are rapidly replacing it with a bureaucratic dictatorship. We are not criminals - we are political refugees in our own land.

For eight years the Minutemen have attempted to alert our fellow Americans to the vast extent of communist infiltration and subversion within our federal government. For seven years the leaders and known members of this organization have been subjected to constant harassment by various agencies of that government - including the F.B.I., the Internal Revenue Service, and the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Division of the Treasury Department.

I have been accused of income tax fraud, kidnapping, carrying a concealed weapon, illegal posession of machine guns, illegal manufacturing of machine guns, illegal posession of bombs and bombshells, illegal transportation of firearms, and contributing to the delinquency of a minor. Each of these accusations has been false. Many were the result of deliberately planned frame-ups.

In most cases my innocence has already been proven - but at a terrible price in time, money, effort, heartache, and nervous energy.

In other cases the U.S. District Attorneys have obtained convictions through the use of perjured testimony and paid professional witnesses. Friendly witnesses were threatened into silence while financial supporters were intimidated. Following conviction the federal court has sentenced us to long prison terms on charges where other first offenders received only fines or suspended sentences. These cases might also be reversed by higher courts if enough more time and money could be found to fight on effectively.

During all this time I have been the victim of vicious smear and rumor campaigns. My family has been subjected to constant harassment.

My co-workers have been threatened, blackmailed, intimidated, and arrested on false charges. In some cases, F.B.I. or A.T.T.U. agents have called on their employers over and over again until they finally lost their jobs.

Our offices have been burglarized. Our phones have been tapped. Our mail has been opened. Our homes have been illegally searched. Thousands of dollars worth of cameras, guns, tape recorders, money, and other personal possessions have disappeared into the pockets of the searching officers.

A few weeks ago a federal grand jury was called in Seattle, Washington. The lay members of such grand juries have little knowledge of legal procedures. They are easily led to any desired verdict by the one sided testimony presented by the smooth talking District Attorneys, suave F.B.I. agents, and glib tongued professional stool-pidgeons willing to tell any story - for a price.

From such one-sided "evidence" (including a "doctored" tape recording) the Seattle grand jury was persuaded to indict several members or supposed members of the Minutemen on the ridiculous charge of "conspiracy to rob banks". In spite of the fact that Walter Peyson has not been in the state of Washington for six years and I havn't been there in more than a year, we were also indicted as co-conspirators.

After learning this from confidential sources of our own, we contacted attorneys in Seattle and asked them to arrange terms by which we could turn ourselves in and make bond. These attorneys were promised that, if we gave ourselves up voluntarily, we would be arraigned promptly and set free on $7,500.00 bond each pending trial.

My wife began trying to raise the $1,500.00 bondsmans fee. Before this could be done, however, our informant discovered that this was only a trap to draw us in. The amount of bond had actually been set at four times the amount stated--- $60,000.00 for just two defendents. One professional bondsman who had already agreed to make the bond decided, after a call from the F.B.I., that he could not do so. This was a tactic not unfamiliar to us as federal agents had done the same thing in Kansas City when one of our members needed to make bond there.

A second bondsman was found who agreed to post the bond provided the full amount was secured by property in addition to his $6,000.00 non-returnable fee. Once again our families set out to mortgage their homes and all they owned to guarantee bonds. Once again a call from the F.B.I. and this bondsman backed out also.

By this time the full extent of the plot against us had been learned. A long series of conspiracy charges were to be presented against us - one after another after another. Sooner or later the day would surely come when we were financially, physically, and mentally exhausted. Unable to defend ourselves in court any longer, a life-long series of prison terms would be the inevitable result.

During most of this time the F.B.I. kept the fact that they were looking for us a carefully guarded secret, but, after a couple of weeks, they began to apply their customary pressure tactics. As usual, they started by picking on those who were least able to defend themselves. Their first victim was Walter Payson's wife, Linda. All F.B.I. agents can be very courteous to the general public. They can be so polite in a court room or in some lawyers office. They can be very hateful to an eighteen year old girl who hardly weighs a hundred pounds and is expecting her first baby.

Among the collateral which my own wife had intended to pledge was a majority ownership in the small chemical company which she and my family have helped to build during many years of hard work. After school when other children have gone out to play, our children came to the plant to help mix powders, or fill bottles, or label cans. It is their business as much as it is mine. It will be my families only source of income in case I am killed or imprisoned.

Under a government that encourages indolence, my family has proven that industry and hard work still have their own rewards. My father fought in the first World War so that families like mine could start businesses of their own. My oldest son fought in Vietnam to preserve that right for the few who still cherish it. I will not ask them to give it up just so that I might remain free a few weeks longer.

There is a point beyond which no man can be pushed and still maintain his self respect. Walter Payson and I have reached that point. We no longer choose to submit docilely to this kind of legal persecution. Neither do we intend to crawl into some hole and hide. We will defend ourselves and what we believe in by other tactics.

We realize that the odds against us are formidable - two men against thousands of federal agents. I have heard some of these agents say before, "We're just doing what we're told." That may be so; but our nation is losing its liberty because too many federal agents, local police, and average citizens are "just doing what they are told".

This does not mean that we feel sorry for ourselves. We feel sorry instead for those millions who have already fought, bled, and died to keep this nation free - this nation that now teeters on the brink of disaster.

We feel sorry for the half million American boys who have been pushed (not led but pushed) into the Vietnam death trap. They are allowed to fight and die but not allowed to win. They are there only to distract the attention of the American people while a Bureaucratic Dictatorship comes to complete power here at home - disguised of course as a benign welfare state.

We think of the twentyfive thousand boys who have died and the thousands more who have yet to die for a cause that has already been

betrayed. Comparatively speaking, our chances seem rather good.

Unlike our soldiers in Vietnam, the Minutemen are not shackled by the government's "no-win policy". We have our own strategy -- our "Blueprint for Victory". We do not fight among self-seeking foreigners for corrupt political machines. We fight in our own native land and there will be millions of loyal Americans fed up with big brother's socialism who will join us in our fight.

We share the privilege of a spiritual bond with those Patriots who boldly signed the Declaration of Independence, and by their action also became fugitives for the cause of Liberty.

Robert B. Dreyer

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537

REPORT

of the

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO. REC- 14 91-5801

FBI FILE NO. 91-23872-93

LATENT CASE NO. 87638

April 19, 1968

TO:

SAC, Detroit

RE: MINUTEMEN
IS - MISCELLANEOUS

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4-31-94 9803SDD/CAC
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REFERENCE: Airtel 3-21-68

EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Detroit

SPECIMENS:

Q9, sheet of paper bearing letterhead "Minutemen"
Q10, piece of white wrapping paper bearing handwritten address

One identifiable latent fingerprint developed on Q9, and one identifiable latent fingerprint developed on Q10. No additional latent prints appear or were developed on the specimens, which are enclosed.

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Latent fingerprints not identical with the fingerprints of Robert Bolivar DePugh, FBI #1798E, or [redacted] Army service [redacted] who may be identical with the [redacted] named in reairtel. b6 b7C

Laboratory report separate.

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: MINUTEMEN
IS - MISCELLANEOUS
OO: KANSAS CITY

File # 91-28872-93
Lab. # D-558953 HE
LC #87638

A 3/21/68

Examination requested by: SAC, Detroit (91-5801) LATENT

Examination requested: Document-Fingerprint Date received: 3/25/68

Result of Examination: Examination by: LILJA

Named for comparison purposes:
ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH, FBI #1798E

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DATE 2-1-94 BY 9803RDS/CGO C
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Specimens submitted for examination

Q9 Sheet of paper bearing letterhead "Minuteman" Underground Headquarters, bearing handwritten letter beginning "Dear Fellow Patriot:"

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Q10 White paper package bearing handwritten address to "[redacted] Detroit, Michigan

cc KANSAS CITY (62-7797) 2 cc - Detroit 100-29952
cc SEATTLE (91-2732)
Bufile 62-107261

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EXAMINATION COMPLETED 4-17-68 4:25 pm DICTATED 4-17-68 fml
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⊗ - Comm'l - no $ to De Pugh or one - [redacted]

ASN [redacted] no maybe $ fmls

⊗ two lat fgpts, one on wrapper, one on lit $9 (rw side) & 10

- no other lats of value fmls

- items enclosed (2) fmls

- hrs fmls

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FBI

Date: 3/21/68

Transmit the following in PLAIN
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Via AIRTEL AM
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872)
Attention: FBI Laboratory

FROM : SAC, DETROIT (91-5801)(P)

SUBJECT: MINUTEMEN
IS - MISCELLANEOUS
OO: KANSAS CITY

[redacted]

ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE

[redacted]

MERVYN EDWARD HENDERSON;
[redacted]aka;
WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE;

[redacted]

Redmond State Bank,
Redmond, Washington;
First National Bank of Redmond;
Redmond, Washington;
Seattle Trust and Savings Bank,
Des Moines Branch
Des Moines, Washington
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ReDeairtel to Bureau, 3/15/68.

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Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory are the following:

One page "Minutemen" Underground Headquarters letterhead stationery signed BOB DE PUGH

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One white paper package addressed to [redacted]

For info of the Bureau, on 3/14/68, [redacted] made available the enclosed material which he received on that date from the Minutemen. The enclosurers were contained in another package which was postmarked 3/11/68 at Phoenix, Arizona.

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The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare the handwriting on both enclosures with the known handwriting of ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH, FBI Number 1798E.

The Latent Fingerprint Section is requested to compare any latents of value developed on enclosures with the known prints of DE PUGH.

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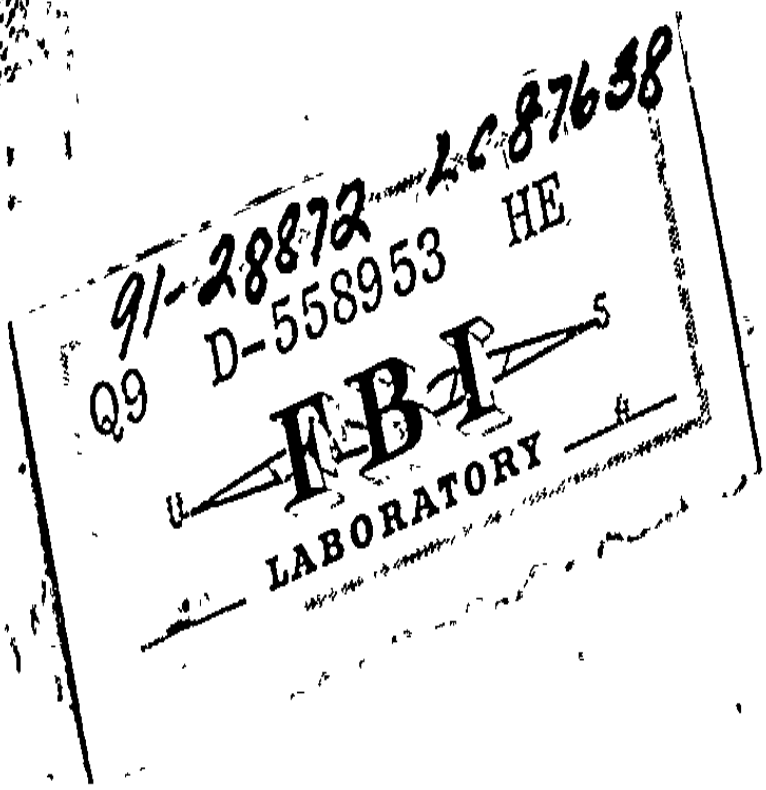
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638PM URGENT 3-16-68 MHR

TO DIRECTOR, MIAMI, AND KANSAS CITY

FROM LITTLE ROCK (91-3143)

RE: [redacted] ET AL. ~~RR~~ - CONSPIRACY. OO SEATTLE

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91-28872-93

RE SEATTLE AIRTEL TO BUREAU, MARCH ONE, SIXTYEIGHT.

ON ~~THIS DATE~~ March 13, 1968, [redacted] ADVISED HE

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RECEIVED A LETTER DELIVERED TO HIS RESIDENCE THIS AM. LETTER

ADDRESSED BY TYPEWRITER, AIR MAIL, POSTMARKED MIAMI, FLORIDA,

MARCH FOURTEEN PM. CONTAINED HANDWRITTEN LETTER ON STATIONERY

"MINUTEMEN UNDERGROUND HEADQUARTERS," DATED MARCH TEN NINETEEN

SIXTYEIGHT, SIGNED W. T. PEYSON. THIS LETTER ADDRESSED TO DEAR

FELLOW PATRIOT AND REQUESTED HIM TO REPRODUCE THE ENCLOSED

BULLETIN AND GIVE IT MAXIMUM DISTRIBUTION AMONG HIS ASSOCIATES.

91-28872-94

14 MAR 20 1968

ENCLOSED WITH LETTER WERE TWO SHEETS TYPED ON BOTH SIDES

APPEAR PRINTED ON MIMEOGRAPH HEADED "UNDERGROUND NEWS BULLETIN

NUMBER ONE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, FROM ROBERT P. DE PUGH,

END PAGE ONE

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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NATIONAL COORDINATOR, MINUTEMEN." THIS BULLETIN RELATES EVENTS PERTAINING TO DE PUGH AND PEYSON INDICATING THEY ARE FUGITIVES AND ARE BEING HUNTED BY THE FBI, AND SETS FORTH MUCH FALSE AND DEROGATORY REMARKS ABOUT THE FBI.

XEROX COPIES OF ALL MATERIAL WILL BE FORWARDED SEPARATELY TO BUREAU AND KANSAS CITY.

DE PUGH AND PEYSON SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS AS IT IS KNOWN THEY HAVE ACCESS TO FIREARMS AND REPORTEDLY WEAR HAND GUNS.

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FBI WASH DC

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MR. ROSEN

SPECIAL INVESTIGAT SION

March 18, 1968

This is case involving Robert De Pugh and Walter Peyson, leaders of the militant right-wing Minutemen organization who are charged with conspiracy in connection with attempted bank robberies by members of the organization in the State of Washington.

Attached reports a Little Rock informant received a letter signed, "W. T. Peyson" instructing informant to reproduce and distribute a bulletin among associates. The bulletin, which states both Minutemen officials are fugitives, contains false and derogatory remarks about the FBI. Copies of all material being sent to Bureau.

Vigorous fugitive investigation being conducted to locate DePugh and Peyson.

DFB:bjb

FI[redacted]v. 3-8-67)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
KANSAS CITY	SEATTLE	3/22/68	2/14 - 3/18/68

TITLE OF CASE

[redacted]

ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH, aka
Bob De Pugh-FUGITIVE;

[redacted] aka

WALTER PATRICK PEYSON, aka
William Paul Petri,
Walter Peyovich-FUGITIVE;
ET AL;

REPORT MADE BY	TYPED BY
RAYMOND B. HOWE	IKC

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCE: Report of SA VERNON P. COYNE dated 3/15/68 at Seattle.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

321,960 3.15.93 .....9803RDD/CAL

Copies of the "Motion for Order to Show Cause Why Appeal Bond Should Not Be Revoked" dated 3/6/68, and letter from [redacted] dated March 1968, requesting contributions, are not being enclosed in the details inasmuch as Xerox copies have previously been furnished the Bureau and Seattle, and in order to conceal Kansas City source.

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[redacted] advised Bureau Agents on 3/13/68, that she would cooperate with the FBI if they would not let [redacted] know she was doing this. She stated that she believed that if Bureau Agents

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED						ACQUIT-TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
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APPROVED RWD/Bas SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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contacted her [redacted] at this time, she would be aware that [redacted] had informed on her. b6 b7C

Immediate leads to locate DE PUGH and PEYSON are being handled on an expedite basis; others being left to discretion of office or origin. Kansas City continuing efforts to apprehend them.

FD-204 (Rev. 3-3-59)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Seattle, Washington

Report of: RAYMOND B. HOWE
Date: 3/22/68

Office: Kansas City

Field Office File #: KC 91-5472

Bureau File #: 91-28872

Title: [redacted]
ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH;
[redacted]
WALTER PATRICK PEYSON

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Character: BANK ROBBERY-CONSPIRACY

Synopsis: [redacted] of ROBERT DE PUGH, and associated with the Minutemen from January 1965, until the latter part of 1967, advised she attended Minutemen training camp in Colorado during August 1967, at which time DE PUGH stated "it would become necessary to rob banks to finance Minutemen underground". [redacted] advised in June 1967, that DE PUGH had stated to him the Minutemen had simulated bank robberies. ROBERT DE PUGH reportedly left Norborne, Missouri, 2/16/68. [redacted] and parents advise his whereabouts unknown to them. Efforts to locate DE PUGH and WALTER PEYSON unsuccessful to date. DE PUGH reportedly wearing full beard. [redacted] currently residing Kansas City, Missouri. USA, Kansas City, Missouri, entered Motion to revoke DE PUGH and PEYSON's $5,000. appeal bonds on charges of violation of National Firearms Act in November 1967. On 3/5/68, ROBERT DE PUGH failed to appear as ordered on traffic violation charge in Police Court, Richmond, Missouri, and a Missouri State warrant was issued in his name. DE PUGH AND PEYSON SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS AS IT IS KNOWN THEY HAVE ACCESS TO FIREARMS AND REPORTEDLY WEAR HAND GUNS. DE PUGH ALSO REPORTEDLY SURROUNDS HIMSELF WITH GUARDS.

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DETAILS:

[redacted]
3-1593-9803RDD/CAL
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KC 91-5472

On February 16, 1968, [redacted] advised SA GEORGE A. ARNETT that the statement furnished by him during the week of June 19-23, 1967, to [redacted], reporter for the Kansas City Star newspaper, is completely accurate. This statement is as follows: b6 b7C b7D

"My name is [redacted] I am [redacted] years old and live at [redacted]

'Using the name of [redacted] I joined the United Klans of America in the [redacted] and obtained membership in the Minutemen organization in the [redacted] I joined the Minutemen through [redacted] in Reading, Pa., while [redacted] was Grand Dragon of the Klan in Pennsylvania and at the same time was a member of the Minutemen. As a member of the Klan I rose to the rank of [redacted] first in the state of Delaware and then in Pennsylvania. Later I was active in Virginia as a member of the Klan. Late in January, 1967, while in Kansas City, Mo., I telephoned Robert Bolivar DePugh at the Patriotic Party headquarters in Independence, Mo., identified myself as a "friend from Virginia" and said I wished to meet with him. DePugh obliged and a time and a place in Independence was agreed upon. A snow storm the night before our scheduled meeting prevented DePugh from keeping the appointment, so I telephoned him in Norborne, told him that I had to return to Virginia the next day, and asked if it would be all right if I drove up to Norborne to see him. DePugh agreed. I arrived late in the afternoon and immediately called DePugh at the Biolab Corporation office. DePugh told me to meet him at a restaurant in town. He came in alone. He was cagey. I could tell he didn't trust me. I tossed out the names of various Klansmen-Minutemen in the East, told him they were "burying stuff" for the Minutemen but that the organization was very weak in the Pennsylvania-Virginia area, and commented that [redacted] was "off his rocker." As I discussed details about [redacted] DePugh seemed to gain confidence in me. I showed DePugh my United Klans of America credentials but was unable to find my Minutemen identification card --- it was still packed in one of my suitcases. I talked of my dissatisfaction with the Klan, that it wasn't active enough in the right ways, that it was taking people's money. I also told DePugh that I had had a run-in with the top b6 b7C

Klansman in Virginia. I said I wanted to get involved with the right organization, and from what I'd seen and heard, the Minutemen were just that. I said we've got to prepare to fight right here, just as the colonialists did. He was lapping it up all the way by now. I said, "What can I do?" He said, "It's up to you. You can come here and work if you want, or you can go back to Virginia and form a resistance network." I told DePugh I had to return to Virginia. DePugh said, "Okay, I'll get you some of our literature." But first, DePugh wanted to see if I was being followed. He told me to sit in the restaurant five minutes after he left, then get up, walk around the block, and if I were being followed, two men would pick me up in a car. If not being tailed, I was to drive to another restaurant where we would resume our conversation. I walked around the block, climbed into my car, drove around Norborne for about 15 minutes to see if I was being followed by the Minutemen and then proceeded to the second restaurant. In about five minutes, DePugh and a slender, dark haired, dark-complexioned man drove up in a Volkswagen. The young man was introduced to me as [redacted] and I was introduced to [redacted] as [redacted], which DePugh inadvertently later changed to [redacted]" DePugh then became more specific about what the head of a Minutemen "resistance network" was supposed to do. I was supposed to go back to Virginia, and set up a resistance network to actively begin fighting. The new strategy was to involve isolated acts of violence, starting around September, 1967, and timed to appear as a reaction to the rioting he expected this summer. The decision on what to do and exactly when to do it was fairly well left up to the individual leaders. He talked about things like planting bombs in police stations, city halls, state buildings, sniper activity --- although he didn't say against whom --- and even a bank robbery. I know it sounds crazy, but he said they could stage a bank robbery and when all the police got there --- they would kill them. We'd have a machine gun on the roof top, plant bombs and set them off by remote control, he said. This would incite the people to fight the police, who were the enemy of the people. He said this would show the people it could be done. DePugh told me the Minutemen already had run through a simulated bank robbery in Kansas City, taking all the necessary steps up to turning in a false alarm but not including the actual killing. I just took it in stride. I showed no surprise or apprehension or anything. Nor did

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I act enthusiastic about anything. DePugh also said that political assassinations would be necessary, mentioning Hubert Humphrey, Arthur Goldberg, Earl Warren and Robert Kennedy, for instance, but not President Johnson. DePugh also outlined how critical points of communications and electrical power around the country could be seized or disrupted. He said we'd have to overthrow the present government and install our own political arm. DePugh gave me half of a dollar bill --- serial number J56077322A --- and told me a courier would use the other half to identify himself to me when he arrived some time in the future with instructions. I was to stay in Virginia only as long as it took to set up a network of from 15 to 20 people, and then move to Kansas City where I would continue to run the network through an assistant, who would be the only member of the network who would know my true identity. When I returned to Kansas City, he said, I was to insert a Help-Wanted ad in the Kansas City Star for several days. This would be my signal to the Minutemen that I was back in town. DePugh suggested that I move into a certain apartment complex in South Kansas City, taking a particular apartment that would enable me to keep a parking lot under surveillance. I have later learned that the apartment complex was the one in which [redacted] DePugh [redacted] lived. DePugh also told me he has an "escape route" and several false identities set up for himself in the event he loses his appeal in federal court. He said he does not intend to go to prison. I believe that DePugh was serious when he told me all of this. b6 b7C

'I joined the Klan and Minutemen and made contact with DePugh in Norborne in January, 1967, in order to obtain information for the Federal Bureau of Investigation. My sympathies and allegiance have never been with either organization."

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Notary Public

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Date

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On February 19, 1968, [redacted] Postmaster, Norborne, Missouri, advised SA ARNETT that ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH left Norborne, Missouri, on February 16, 1968, for unknown destination and his current whereabouts as well as the whereabouts of WALTER PATRICK PEYSON is unknown.

On February 26, 1968, [redacted] advised SA ARNETT that [redacted] advised him on February 25, 1968, that [redacted] was on the west coast and if it was necessary to contact him she could do so through the defense attorney for those arrested in Seattle. b6 b7C b7D

On February 26, 1968, [redacted] advised SA ARNETT that she had received information that ROBERT DE PUGH met with [redacted] Patriotic Party [redacted] Orange, California, several days ago in a private home in the San Francisco Bay area and she understands he is wearing a full beard.

On March 5, 1968, [redacted] Norborne, Missouri, advised SA [redacted] that [redacted] and she is reportedly living in Kansas City, Missouri, with [redacted] name unknown. She advised that [redacted] and should be [redacted] sometime during the month of July 1968. [redacted] stated it was her understanding that WALTER PEYSON is not residing with [redacted] and to the best of her knowledge, neither he nor DE PUGH are presently in Norborne. She further stated that the [redacted] lives in the [redacted] on the [redacted] Norborne, Missouri, and is employed at Stampers (phonetic) Company in Carrollton, Missouri. This company prepares frozen dinners. b6 b7C

On March 5, 1968, [redacted] Norborne, Missouri, advised that she cares for [redacted] She further advised that on the afternoon of March 4, 1968, she was talking to [redacted] at which time they were discussing the whereabouts of ROBERT DE PUGH and WALTER PEYSON. At this time [redacted] stated she had not seen [redacted] for at least two weeks and had no idea of his present whereabouts. She further stated that she is positive ROBERT DE PUGH is not in Norborne, Missouri. b6 b7C

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On March 5, 1968, Sgt. [redacted] Missouri Highway Patrol, advised he arrested ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH, along with Missouri Trooper [redacted] on February 13, 1968, on a charge of driving with expired registration Missouri license plates. At that time DE PUGH was driving a 1965 green Chevrolet with 1967 Missouri license ZN 0-025. A complaint #659853 was later issued and DE PUGH was scheduled to appear in police court in Richmond, Missouri, on March 5, 1968. DE PUGH did not appear and, therefore, a warrant for his arrest has been issued. b6 b7C

[redacted] further advised that DE PUGH was accompanied by another individual at the time the citation was issued and after viewing a photograph of WALTER PEYSON, was of the opinion this was the individual who was with ROBERT DE PUGH.

[redacted] also advised that at the time of his arrest, DE PUGH wore a full beard which he was growing for the Norborne centennial which is to take place August 9, 10, and 11, 1968.

[redacted] concluded by saying he personally knows DE PUGH but has not seen him in the area of Norborne or Richmond, Missouri, since this arrest.

The Kansas City Times newspaper dated March 7, 1968, contained the following article regarding DE PUGH and PEYSON:

> CALVIN K. HAMILTON, U. S. Attorney here, mailed a motion yesterday to the U. S. Court of Appeals in St. Louis asking it to enter an order directing ROBERT B. DE PUGH and WALTER P. PEYSON to appear before it and show cause why their $5,000 appeal bonds should not be revoked.
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> DE PUGH, national co-ordinator of the Minutemen organization, and PEYSON, one of his top aides, were indicted in Seattle February 20 on a charge of conspiracy to rob four banks in the Seattle area.
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> They are being sought now by the FBI and other federal officers who wish to serve them with warrants issued on that indictment. Bond in Seattle has been set at $30,000 for each man.
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> They were free on bond here while appealing their convictions in Kansas City in November, 1966, on charges of violating the National Firearms act.
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> In his letter, HAMILTON noted that Judge ELMO B. HUNTER of the U. S. District court here, in fixing bond on DE PUGH

and PEYSON, instructed them not to leave the western district of Missouri without keeping their attorneys advised of their itinerary.

HAMILTON wrote that [redacted] b6 b7C of record in Kansas City, said today that he had not seen them for several days and that [redacted] the Minutemen [redacted] had not seen them for several days either and did not know where they were.

On March 8, 1968, [redacted] former Minuteman, telephonically advised from Seattle, Washington, that a [redacted], Spokane, Washington, has information concerning the current whereabouts of ROBERT DE PUGH. He gave her telephone number as [redacted] would not elaborate on this, but further stated that a [redacted] of the Book Store, 2400 3rd Avenue, Seattle, Washington, are Minutemen.

On March 15, 1968, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Agent [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri, advised that he had received a phone call from their Agent [redacted] in Des Moines, Iowa, that a ROBERT DE PUGH was paged at the airport in Des Moines, Iowa, on March 13, 1968. [redacted] advised b6 b7C that [redacted] received this information from the Des Moines Police Department and he could furnish no additional information regarding it.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] at Carrollton, Missouri:

On March 12, 1968, [redacted] was interviewed at Stampers Processing Company, Carrollton. [redacted] is an employee at Stampers [redacted], advised she did not personally know DE PUGH or PEYSON but that [redacted] b6 b7C [redacted] Norborne, Missouri, lives directly across the street from ROBERT DE PUGH. [redacted] stated that in October 1967, [redacted] joined the Armed Forces and was sent to Vietnam where he is presently stationed. [redacted] stated she dated [redacted] and that on numerous occasions she would park her automobile, a 1958 Chevrolet, license unknown, in front of the DE PUGH residence. [redacted] stated she was not a member of the Minutemen and was not familiar with the organization or any of its operations.

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On March 12, 1968 advised that she is the owner of two automobiles, a white 1963 2-door Chevrolet Corvair, and a 1962 or 1963 white Chevrolet sedan. stated that age who now resides at Kansas City, Missouri, uses the 1962-63 white Chevrolet sedan, which is registered to stated that used to work in Norborne, Missouri, at the Food Locker and his car may have been seen in the Norborne area. stated that to the best of her knowledge, was not a member of the Minutemen and had no connection whatsoever with DE PUGH or PEYSON. believed that was employed by Nanley Trucking Company in Kansas City, Missouri. b6 b7C

On March 13, 1968, advised that she resides in Norborne, Missouri, on the corner of and that she is employed at Stampers in Carrollton, Missouri. stated that WALTER PATRICK PEYSON, who is one of the leaders of the Minutemen organization. stated that was living in Chicago, Illinois, at and that returned to Kansas City, Missouri, approximately the first of March 1968. is presently residing with her Kansas City, Missouri. According to is and is in August 1968, and of this WALTER PATRICK PEYSON. stated that told that she had not seen since the first of January 1968, and that PEYSON was indirectly to live on. stated that she did not believe that PEYSON was furnishing with directly or indirectly. stated that she felt that had been brainwashed concerning the Minutemen organization. stated that she knew ROBERT DE PUGH and WALTER PATRICK PEYSON on sight and if she saw or heard of them in the Norborne or Carrollton area, she would immediately notify the FBI. b6 b7C

On March 13, 1968, in Norborne, Missouri, were contacted and both individuals stated that they would contact the FBI if either ROBERT DE PUGH or WALTER PEYSON was seen in the Norborne area. Both had previously been contacted in regard to KC 42-20288 and they displayed cooperative attitude in assisting the FBI in this matter. b6 b7C

On March 13, 1968, [redacted] Norborne, Missouri, advised that there was a rumor going around the Norborne area which he could not pinpoint which stated that when ROBERT DE PUGH was in the Norborne area, the front porch light burned all night at his residence. [redacted] could not verify this rumor but stated that he had noticed that the light at the DE PUGH residence on the front porch had burned all night sometime during the second week of March 1968, exact date not noted by [redacted]

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On March 13, 1968, [redacted] was interviewed at the Minutemen headquarters, Norborne, Missouri, and [redacted] advised she has not had any contact with [redacted] since the first of January 1968, when he left to go to the West Coast. [redacted] stated that she had no idea where ROBERT DE PUGH and WALTER PEYSON may be at the present time but felt they were probably trying to raise bond money so they would not have to spend any time in jail. [redacted] stated that [redacted] knew what their assets were and how much money she could raise and she was surprised that DE PUGH had not attempted to contact her.

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On March 13, 1968, Sheriff PAUL JOHNSON, Carrollton, Carroll County, Missouri, advised that he was aware of the Federal warrants outstanding for WALTER PEYSON and ROBERT DE PUGH and that if he received any information concerning DE PUGH or PEYSON, he would contact the FBI in Kansas City. JOHNSON further advised that his deputies were also aware of the fugitive status of PEYSON and DE PUGH.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] at Sedalia, Missouri:

On March 13, 1968, [redacted] was located at the Rival Manufacturing Company, 16th and Ohio, where he is employed. [redacted] stated that he has seen subject DE PUGH only once, about five or six years ago, when he visited with him at Norborne, Missouri. He said that since that time he received some pamphlets through the mail from DE PUGH, but no other correspondence from DE PUGH. He stated that he is not acquainted with WALTER PATRICK PEYSON. [redacted] advised that he does not know where the subjects might be located and has no idea where they might go. He said that if he learns of subjects' whereabouts he will notify the FBI.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM M. HAWKINS:

AT INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI:

On March 11, 1968, [redacted] City Fireman, City of Independence, [redacted] was interviewed. He also assists his father in the operation of the Go-Gas Service Station, Noland Road at Kansas in Independence, Missouri.

He said he had never been a member of the Minutemen and had no information concerning the whereabouts of ROBERT BOLIVAR DEPUGH or WALTER PATRICK PEYSON, and said he did not know them.

[redacted] advised that some two or three years ago he was trying to be promoted to the position of Captain in the Independence Fire Department, and had opposition on the position from other firemen who also wanted to be Captain. He said apparently someone turned his name in to the Minutemen as a member, in order to get him discharged from the Fire Department, because the City Manager had stated he would discharge any city employee who joined the Minutemen. He said his opponents in the Fire Department were unsuccessful in getting him discharged, and he won the appointment as Captain of the Fire Department.

On March 11, 1968, [redacted] Appliance Dealer, [redacted] was interviewed. He stated that some two or three years ago he went to an open meeting of the Minutemen organization in Independence, and apparently the Minutemen group obtained his name and listed him as a member. He said he soon learned that ROBERT BOLIVAR DEPUGH was a "crackpot." [redacted] never did support DEPUGH. He stated that in the past he would see DEPUGH on the street occasionally, but has not seen DEPUGH for several months, and has no information as to his whereabouts or activities. [redacted] advised that he would immediately notify the FBI Office should he learn anything concerning DEPUGH's whereabouts, after being advised of the Federal warrant outstanding for DEPUGH.

On March 13, 1968, Sgt. [redacted] Independence, Missouri, Police Department, advised the writer that no information has come to the attention of their office regarding the current whereabouts of DE PUGH or PEYSON. He was furnished complete descriptions as well as photographs of both individuals. He stated this information would be given to all patrol cars in Independence and they would also make frequent checks at 613 East Alton, and at the residence of ROBERT DE PUGH's parents, 1127 College. He stated any pertinent information coming to their attention would immediately be made known to the Kansas City Office. b6 b7C

On March 13, 1968, [redacted] agent with the Independence Insurance Agency, 705 East Alton, Independence, advised that he can view the building at 613 East Alton from his office and has not seen any activity over there for over a month. He knows that both DE PUGH and PEYSON are wanted by the FBI and will immediately contact the Kansas City Office if any information regarding them comes to his attention.

On March 13, 1968, [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri, advised the writer and SA [redacted] that four girls live in the house at [redacted] She advised that she is on friendly basis with two of them and knows the other two only by sight. She stated the ones she knows are [redacted], who works at Betty Rose Coats and Suits, and [redacted] who works for U. S. Steel. [redacted] stated that the 1959 Chevrolet parked in back belongs to [redacted] (This Chevrolet bore Kansas license [redacted] which is registered to [redacted] Mound City, Kansas). She stated that the other two girls, she believes, are [redacted] one of them is named [redacted] and the other one, name unknown, recently moved in. b6 b7C

[redacted] was advised at this time of the status of DE PUGH and PEYSON and their photographs were displayed to her. She stated that neither of these individuals have been to 4408 Madison as far as she knows. She advised that she was more than willing to cooperate with the FBI, would keep the contact confidential, and would definitely advise the writer of any pertinent activities at [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri.

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Mrs. DEPUGH said she was aware of the provisions of the Harboring statute.

She was advised that ROBERT BOLIVAR DEPUGH and WALTER PATRICK PEYSON are Federal fugitives.

On 3/7/68 at Independence, Missouri File # KC 91-5472

by SA WILLIAM M. HAWKINS (lib) Date dictated 3/12/68

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On March 18, 1968, [redacted] advised that she resides [redacted] of ROBERT DE PUGH in Norborne, Missouri, and she has not seen him since the early part of February 1968, but will immediately advise the Kansas City Office if any information comes to her attention regarding his whereabouts. b6 b7C

The following individuals were interviewed on the dates indicated by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] All advised that they had no idea of the whereabouts of ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH and WALTER PATRICK PEYSON:

March 12, 1968 [redacted]
Independence, Missouri

March 12, 1968 [redacted]
Independence, Missouri

March 12, 1968 [redacted] b6 b7C
Missouri [redacted]

March 12, 1968 [redacted]
Independence, Missouri.

On March 13, 1968, [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri, advised that he last saw ROBERT DE PUGH about a month and a half ago at Vitale's Restaurant, 15th and Cleveland, Kansas City, Missouri. [redacted] stated he had no idea where DE PUGH and PEYSON may be at present, but he would notify the FBI if he learned anything of value. b6 b7C

On March 12, 1968, [redacted] rural carrier, Lawson, Missouri, advised that [redacted] had lived in a farm house on a gravel road southeast of Elmira, Missouri. [redacted] advised that he never saw DE PUGH or PEYSON with [redacted] in the vicinity of this farm. [redacted] said that a young Mexican woman lives at this farm right now but has refused to furnish her name. [redacted] said that he would immediately contact the FBI if he saw DE PUGH or PEYSON in the Lawson or Elmira area.

"MINUTEMEN"

The "Minutemen" was organized in June, 1960. Its present headquarters are Norborne,Missouri. Robert B. DePugh, Norborne, Missouri, has been publicly identified as the National Coordinator of the organization.DePugh has stated the membership of the "Minutemen" to be in excess of 35,000 members, however, confidential sources state this figure is greatly exaggerated and that a more true estimate would be between 800 and 2,000 members. Statements by DePugh and literature distributed by the organization indicate its purpose to be the resistance to,and exposure of,the spread of Communist influence within the United States; for the formation of a guerrilla or underground organization to combat the troops of any foreign powers which might eventually occupy this country; and resist passage of laws which would regulate private ownership of firearms.

The Kansas City Star newspaper has on numerous occasions contained articles concerning the "Minutemen",wherein it was stated that members of the organization participate in maneuvers utilizing guerrilla tactics with machine guns, mortars, grenades, and other firearms. DePugh has publicly stated the "Minutemen" as an organization does not buy or store arms or ammunition; however, individual members are urged to maintain arms and ammunition, which is their constitutional right. "Minutemen" has given instructions in the use of explosive compounds from such readily accessible ingredients as common fertilizer, ammonium nitrate. Robert DePugh, along with his close associate Walter Patrick Peyson and Troy Haughton, West Coast Regional Coordinator, were convicted in U.S.District Court of violation of the Federal Firearms Act. Allwere sentenced to prison and all are free on bond pending their appealss to the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals, St. Louis, Missouri.

On October 30, 1966, the New York City Police Department arrested 19 members of the "Minutemen",charging them with "conspiracy to commit arson",and "Illegal possession of firearms". An inventory of firearms seized as a result of these arrests included 115 rifles, 26 handguns, 8 automatic weapons, 3 bazookas, 2 mortars, 1 anti-tank gun and an unknown quantity of ammunition.

In Apirl, 1966, DePugh stated the "Minutemen" organization was then dividing itself into two bodies: One group to be members who have been able to maintain their identity in complete secrecy from the public and government investigative agencies,and the other group to be made up of members who have been publicly identified and who will become active in the Patriotic Party. The first group will go completely undergound and will continue to emphasize intelligence activities and resistance warfare training programs. The first national convention of the Patriotic Party was held July 3 and 4, 1966, at Kansas City, Missouri,with DePugh acting as chairman. About 300 individuals attended this convention. The second annual convention of the Patriotic Party was held July 2,3, & 4, 1967, Kansas City,Kansas, with approximately 240 persons attending. DePugh resigned as National Chairman at the convention,however, he stated he would continue in an advisory capacity. The delegates, at DePugh's urging, endorsed former governor of Alabama, George Wallace and William Penn Patrick, millionaire cosmetics manufacturer of San Rafael, California, as president and vice president candidates in the 1968 elections.

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TO DIRECTOR (91-28872) AND SEATTLE (91-2732)

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ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH, FUGITIVE; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON, AKA, FUGITIVE, BR - CONSPIRACY. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SALT LAKE CITY TEL TO DIRECTOR THREE EIGHTEEN LAST.

PEYSON FAILED TO MAKE CONTACT WITH [redacted] THIS PM.

INVESTIGATION PRICE AND SALT LAKE CITY, NEGATIVE REGARDING SUBJECT'S CONTACTS UTAH AREA.

SALT LAKE CITY WILL AFFORD APPROPRIATE COVERAGE PEYSON'S POSSIBLE CONTACT WITH [redacted] PM NEXT. COVERAGE BEING MAINTAINED PANEL TRUCK AND HOUSE, CLEVELAND, UTAH.

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OO: Seattle

Re Little Rock tel to Bureau, 3/16/68.

Enclosed herewith for each office receiving this airtel is 1 Xerox copy each of the following:

(1) Envelope postmarked 3/14/68 at Miami, Fla., which was received by [redacted] morning of 3/16/68 at Pine Bluff, Ark., addressee on front of envelope blocked out for security reasons; b2 b7D

(2) Letter headed "Minutemen" Underground Headquarters, dated 3/10/68, addressed to "Dear Fellow Patriot," signed W. P. PEYSON, (came in above envelope);

(3) Copy of "Underground News Bulletin No. 1 For Immediate Release" from ROBERT B. DE PUGH, National Coordinator, Minutemen, consisting of two pages, writing on both sides, signed by ROBERT B. DE PUGH, (came in above envelope).

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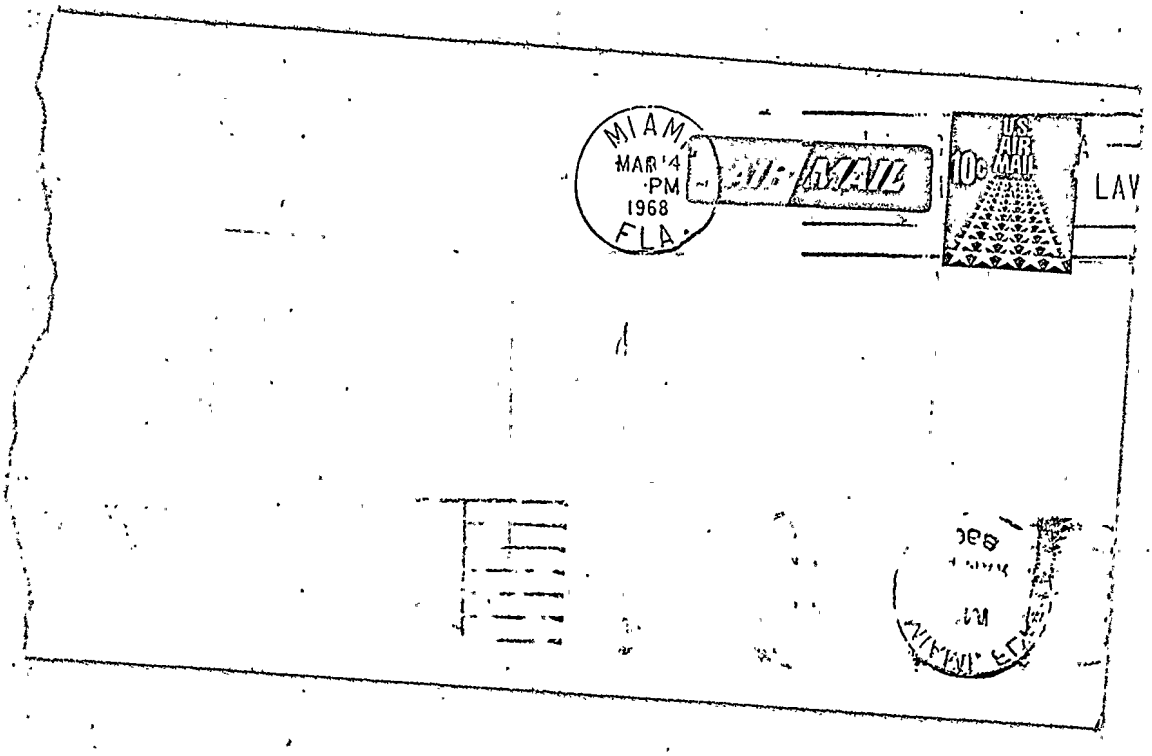

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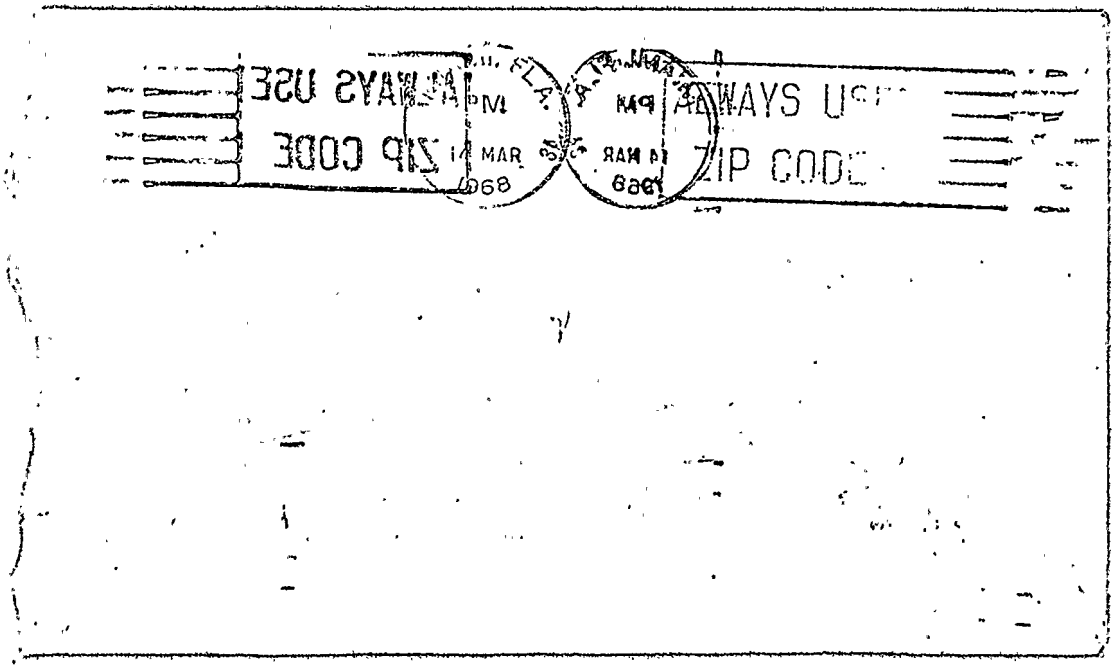
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"Minutemen"
UNDERGROUND HEADQUARTERS

March 10, 1968

Dear Fellow Patriot,

As you can see, our battle against the Communist enemy has entered a new phase.

We will greatly appreciate it if you will reproduce the enclosed bulletin and give it maximum distribution among your associates.

Any assistance you give will be long remembered.

Sincerely,

W. P. Peyson

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Date: 3/1/68

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TO : DIRECTOR, EBI (91-28872)

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (91-2732)(P)

SUBJECT: [redacted], aka [redacted]
ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE;
[redacted] aka
MERVYN EDWARD HENDERSON;
[redacted] aka
WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE;
[redacted]
Redmond State Bank,
Redmond, Washington;
First National Bank of Redmond,
Redmond, Washington;
Seattle Trust and Savings Bank,
Des Moines Branch, Des Moines, Wash.;
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Attached for the Bureau and each receiving office are two (2) photographs of DE PUGH and PEYSON, one of them together, aswell as one with two other individuals. These photos, which were taken in November, 1966, and are said to be good likenesses of the fugitives, are the only photographs available to Seattle.

Referenced teletype instructed Seattle to disseminate a summary airtel to all field offices on this case.

BACKGROUND

In mid-December, 1967, an informant of the Seattle Office (since exposed) began reporting that a group of MINUTEMEN were making plans to rop captioned banks and that some of the loot would be used to finance the MINUTEMEN organization. Surveillances of meetings between various members of the gang were observed by Special Agents of the Seattle Office and the night before the target date of 1/26/68, the Seattle informant, with authority granted by the AG, [redacted] the plans were thus put on [redacted]. b7D

The plans of the gang were almost incredible from the start, including plans to take over the police departments in Redmond and Des Moines. On the last night, the plans were changed to bypass the police departments but instead use diversionary tactics by setting fires to two barns with molotov cocktails and blowing up the electric power for the entire town of Redmond.

DE PUGH and PEYSON were not physically members of the gang that were actually going to rob the banks and these two were not named as subjects in the original complaint filed by Seattle on 1/26/68.

At the time of the arrest of the seven subjects in Seattle, on 1/26/68, after the gang had started to assemble for this strike at the banks, and through subsequent use of search warrants, many firearms, thousands of rounds of ammunition, molotov cocktails, dynamite, brass knuckles, gas masks, and other paraphernalia were seized, along with documents detailing each man's duties and the fact that each member was expected to help DE PUGH "build the organization and consequently rewin our country."

FEDERAL PROCESS OUTSTANDING

On 1/26/68, seven of the subjects, which did not include PEYSON and DE PUGH, were arrested on the basis of a complaint filed at Seattle charging them with violation of T18, USC, Section 371, Conspiracy to Commit Bank Robbery.

On 2/20/68, the FGJ at Seattle, Washington, returned the following indictment:

EUGENE G. CUSHING
United States Attorney

JOHN M. DARRAH
Assistant United States Attorney

1012 U. S. Courthouse
Seattle, Washington 98104

583-4735

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
NORTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, v. ROBERT BOLIVAR DePUGH; WALTER PATRICK PEYSON; DUANE IVAN CARLSON; JEROME NICHOLAS DIEMERT; MERVYN EDWARD HENDERSON; ERVIN JOHN WHITE; AND KELLY ESAKIN DeLANO, Defendants.	NO. INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges:

COUNT I

Commencing on or about August 20, 1967, and continuing until January 26, 1968, in the Western District of Washington, and elsewhere, ROBERT BOLIVAR DePUGH, WALTER PATRICK PEYSON, DUANE IVAN CARLSON, JEROME NICHOLAS DIEMERT, MERVYN EDWARD HENDERSON, ERVIN JOHN WHITE, KELLY ESAKIN DeLANO, and others, did conspire to commit offenses against the United States of America, to wit, violations of Section 2113(a) and (d) of Title 18, United States Code.

It was a part of said conspiracy that said defendants, by force, violence, and intimidation, would take from the person or presence of the employees of certain banks, that is, the Redmond State Bank, The First National Bank of Redmond, The Peoples National Bank of Washington, Redmond Branch, and the Seattle Trust and Savings Bank,

Des Moines Branch, the deposits of which banks are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, money belonging to or in the custody of said banks.

It was a further part of said conspiracy that, while committing the acts specified, defendants would assault and put in jeopardy the lives of employees and customers of said banks by the use of dangerous weapons, to wit, loaded firearms.

OVERT ACTS

In pursuance of said conspiracy and to effect the objects thereof, the defendants did commit the following overt acts within the Western District of Washington.

1. On or about December 17, 1967, in Renton, DUANE IVAN CARLSON carried and transferred two bandaliers for carrying .30 caliber ammunition.

2. On or about December 24, 1967, DUANE IVAN CARLSON, JEROME NICHOLAS DIEMERT, MERVYN EDWARD HENDERSON, ERVIN JOHN WHITE and others met together at the Seattle Tacoma Airport.

3. On or about December 27, 1967, in Renton, MERVYN EDWARD HENDERSON transferred 349 rounds of .30 caliber ammunition.

4. On or about January 25, 1968, DUANE IVAN CARLSON, JEROME NICHOLAS DIEMERT, MERVYN EDWARD HENDERSON, ERVIN JOHN WHITE, KELLY ESAKIN DELANO and others met together in a room on the premises of The Rainier Lanes bowling alley in Seattle.

All in violation of Title 18 United States Code, Sections 371 and 2113(a) and (d).

COUNT II

That on or about the 23rd day of December, 1967, in the Western District of Washington, DUANE IVAN CARLSON did transfer a firearm, that is a muffler or silencer fitted for use on a .22 caliber rifle, being a cylindrical metal device of approximately

nine and one-half inches in length and one and one-fourth inches in diameter, knowing that said transfer was not in pursuance of a written order from the transferee and not on an application form issued in blank in duplicate for that purpose by the Secretary of the Treasury, or his delegate.

All in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 5814.

COUNT III

That on or about the 5th day of December 1967, in the Western District of Washington, JEROME NICHOLAS DIEMERT, having been convicted as follows:

1. On or about April 6, 1951, in the Douglas County Superior Court for the State of Wisconsin, of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, that is, the crime of breaking and entering in the nighttime, and

2. On or about April 17, 1953, in the District Court, St. Louis County, State of Minnesota, of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, that is, the crime of grand larceny in the first degree,

did transport and cause to be transported in interstate commerce from Seattle, Washington, to Boise, Idaho, and from Boise, Idaho, to Seattle, Washington, certain firearms, namely,

(1) .32 Colt automatic,

(2) 7.65 mm Carl Walther automatic,

(3) .38 Smith & Wesson,

(4) 12 gauge shotgun,

(5) M-1 carbine.

All in violation of Title 15, United States Code, Section 902(e).

COUNT IV

That on or about the 5th day of December, 1967, in the Western District of Washington, ERVIN JOHN WHITE, having been convicted as follows:

On or about March 11, 1949, in the District Court of Douglas County, State of Nebraska, of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, that is, the crime of burglary, did transport and cause to be transported in interstate commerce from Seattle, Washington, to Boise, Idaho, and from Boise, Idaho, to Seattle, Washington, a firearm, namely an M-1 carbine.

All in violation of Title 15, United States Code, Section 902(e).

A TRUE BILL

DATED: February____, 1968

Foreman

EUGENE G. COSHING
United States Attorney

JOHN H. DARRAH
Assistant U.S. Attorney

Bench warrants were issued at Seattle on 2/20/68 for DE PUGH and PEYSON whose whereabouts were then and are still unknown. Bail for DE PUGH and PEYSON set at $30,000 by the FGJ.

USA, Seattle, to proceed by Information against subjects [redacted] who have admitted their part in the conspiracy.

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PHYSICAL DESCRIPTIONS

Name	ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH
Race	White
Sex	Male
Normal address	Norborne, Missouri
Date of birth	4/15/23
Place of birth	Independence, Missouri
Height	5'10"
Weight	175 - 190 pounds
Hair	Brown
Fingerprint classification	14 O R 000 6
FBI No.	1798E M U 000
U. S. Army	Serial #17175190

DE PUGH known to be recently wearing a full beard.

Name	WALTER PATRICK PEYSON
Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of birth	4/26/42
Place of birth	Hazelhurst, Mississippi (not verified
Height	5'7"
Weight	130 pounds
Hair	Black
Fingerprint classification	1 t A 2at
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REPORTED MINUTEMEN PLANS

Information has been independently received from separate sources who have close knowledge of the MINUTEMEN organization that in the summer of 1967, at a MINUTEMEN training camp in Colorado, DE PUGH advocated robbing banks and committing other crimes to finance the MINUTEMEN underground. These same sources have revealed that the MINUTEMEN have 19 or 20 "strike teams" throughout the United States who are responsible for carrying out assassinations, bombing assigned targets, and committing larceny, burglary, robberies, and bank robberies.

The MINUTEMEN reportedly have definite plans to kidnap the former USA in Missouri who prosecuted DE PUGH for violation of the Federal Firearms Act; they reportedly plan to kill persons who were witnesses in that trial, as well as ATTU and FBI Agents; they reportedly plan to kill all informants or members of the MINUTEMEN who cooperate with Federal officials; and one source has said that if DE PUGH is arrested again, the strike teams will immediately begin killing all the Federal officials they can over the United States.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION

One source has reported that DE PUGH goes well armed; that DE PUGH is guarded 24 hours a day by men in automobiles; that DE PUGH usually has a pistol on his person; that DE PUGH has hand granades; that DE PUGH has rifles in his automobile and reportedly this automobile has air vents so a guard can hide in the trunk.

PEYSON is currently a possible suspect in the bombing of the Soviet Embassy in Washington, D.C., on 2/21/68, and WFO has instructed that when PEYSON is located, he should be questioned concerning his whereabouts early morning of 2/12/68.

LEADS

ALL OFFICES:

The Bureau has instructed that all offices immediately contact informants and reliable sources having knowledge of MINUTEMEN and right-wing organizations and activities for information regarding whereabouts of DE PUGH and PEYSON so that these two persons can be apprehended at the earliest possible moment.

DE PUGH AND PEYSON SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS AS IT IS KNOWN THEY HAVE ACCESS TO FIREARMS AND REPORTEDLY WEAR HAND GUNS.

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1. WALTER PATRICK PEYSON

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3. TROY HOUGHTON

4. ROBERT B. DE PUGH

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source unknown)

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Name - ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH
Race - White Sex - Male
DOB - 4/15/23 POB - Independence, Mo.
Height - 5'10" Weight - 175 - 190 pounds
Hair - Brown FBI # - 1798E
(Known to be recently wearing full beard)

Name - WALTER PATRICK PEYSON
Race - White Sex - Male
DOB - 4/26/42 POB - Hazelhurst, Miss.
Height - 5'7" Weight - 130 pounds
Hair - Black FBI # - 478437F
(POB not verified)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

DATE: 3/20/68

TO: FBI, Seattle

Re: [redacted] et al.; Redmond State Bank, Redmond, Washington, etc.; BR - CONSPIRACY

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

DATE: March 20, 1968

TO: FBI, Seattle (91-2732)

Re: [redacted] et al.;
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872)

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (91-5472) -P-

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ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE;
WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE;
ET AL;
BR - CONSPIRACY

OO: SEATTLE

Re Charlotte teletype, 3/18/68.

[redacted] who has been interviewed and is a possible witness in this case, advised that he had received an anonymous telephone call in which the caller had stated, "You had better watch your step if you know what is good for your". This call was received by him after information concerning DE PUGH's fugitive status first appeared in the local newspaper.

[redacted] stated he did not know who called, but at the time he believed it was probably from someone in the "Minutemen" organization. He has received no other calls. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] also a possible witness in this case, was contacted 3/19/68, at which time she stated she had not been contacted by anyone in the "Minutemen" organization since contacted by Special Agents regarding this case.

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[redacted] ROBERT B. DE PUGH, AKA - FUGITIVE; WALTER P. PEYSON, AKA - FUGITIVE; ET AL; BR - CONSPIRACY; OO: SE.

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HEARING HELD TODAY IN SEATTLE ON [redacted] MOTION TO REDUCE HIS BOND, WHICH MOTION GOVERNMENT OPPOSED. AFTER THE HEARING, USD JUDGE BEEKS REDUCED [redacted] BOND TO TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS, WHICH [redacted] WAS UNABLE TO MAKE. SUBJECT HENDERSON ARRAIGNED TODAY AND PLEAD NOT GUILTY. INFORMATION FILED AGAINST SUBJECT [redacted] TODAY, BUT [redacted] WILL NOT ENTER HIS PLEA UNTIL APRIL FIVE, NEXT.

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1 - Mr. Huppert

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TO SACs SEATTLE(91-2732)
KANSAS CITY (91-5472)
RICHMOND
CHARLOTTE (91-3054)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

[redacted] ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; b6 b7C
WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE; ET AL. BANK ROBBERY; CONSPIRACY.

REFERENCE IS MADE TO CHARLOTTE TELETYPE THREE EIGHTEEN LAST.

ALL OFFICES WILL CONDUCT LOGICAL INVESTIGATION ON EXPEDITE BASIS TO DETERMINE VALIDITY OF ALLEGATIONS MADE BY [redacted] b6 b7C b7D [redacted] THAT MINUTEMEN PLAN PHYSICAL VIOLENCE AGAINST WITNESSES IN THIS CASE. SEATTLE FURNISH AVAILABLE DETAILS TO UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND TO UNITED STATES MARSHAL. THE POSSIBILITY OF AN OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE VIOLATION SHOULD NOT BE OVERLOOKED WHILE PURSUING THIS INVESTIGATION. KEEP THE BUREAU ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS ON A CURRENT BASIS.

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725 PM URGENT 3-18-68 HLH

TO: DIRECTOR (91-28872), KANSAS CITY (91-5472) AND
RICHMOND AND SEATTLE (91-2732)

FROM: CHARLOTTE (91-3054)

[redacted] ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; b6 b7C
WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE; ET AL, ~~BR~~ Bank Robbery, CONSPIRACY.
Office of Origin
~~OO:~~ SEATTLE.

RE CHARLOTTE TELE TO BUREAU, MARCH EIGHT, LAST.

ON INSTANT DATE, [redacted] b6 b7C b7D
[redacted] ASHEVILLE, N. C., A FORMER MINUTEMAN WHO HAS FURNISHED
INFORMATION ON A CONFIDENTIAL BASIS WHICH WAS SUBMITTED TO THE
BUREAU, SEATTLE AND KANSAS CITY, CONTACTED SA ROBERT S. MOORE,
ASHEVILLE, N. C., ~~RA~~ RESIDENT AGENT, AND FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

ON MARCH SEVENTEEN, LAST, A MINUTEMAN TEAM CAPTAIN FROM
RICHMOND, VA., WHOMHE REFUSED TO NAME, CAME TO HIS ~~RESIDENCE~~
AT ASHEVILLE, N. C., AND TOLD [redacted] THE MINUTEMAN EXPEDITIVE b6 b7C b7D

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COUNCIL HAD INSTRUCTED HIM TO CONTACT [redacted] AND TELL HIM ANYONE WHO TESTIFIED AGAINST DE PUGH, ET AL, WOULD NEVER LEAVE THE COURTROOM, EVEN IF THEY LIVED TO GO INTO THE COURTROOM AT THE TIME OF THE TRAIL. HE TOLD [redacted] THAT DE PUGH WAS GOING TO SEATTLE WITHIN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS POSSIBLY WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS AND WAS BRINGING FOUR STRIKE TEAMS TO SEATTLE WASHINGTON TO TAKE CARE OF ALL WITNESSESS. HE TOLD [redacted] HE UNDERSTOOD [redacted] HAD TALKED TO THE FBI AND [redacted] ADMITTED TO HIM THAT HE HAD BEEN CONTACTED BY FBI AND WAS TO BE SUBPOENAED. [redacted] DID NOT ADMIT TO HIM INFORMATION HAD BEEN FURNISHED THE FBI. [redacted] STATED HE WAS UNABLE TO UNDERSTAND HOW THIS MAN LOCATED HIM IN ASHEVILLE, N. C., AS HE DID NOT RECALL TELLING ANYONE IN THE MINUTEMEN HE WAS FROM ASHEVILLE. AFTER AGENT SUGGESTED SEVERAL POSSIBILITIES FOR OBTAINING [redacted] RESIDENCE ADDRESS,

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HE STATED POSSIBLY THEY GOT HIS ADDRESS FROM COURT RECORDS IN NEW YORK OR SOME OTHER PLACE. [redacted] STATED WHEN HE CALLED [redacted] ABOUT THREE OR FOUR WEEKS AGO, HE TOLD HER THE FBI HAD LOCATED HIM AND STATED HE WAS TO BE SUBPOENAED FOR THE TRIAL. HE TOLD HER THIS TO COVER FOR A SUBPOENA TO BE SERVED FOR THIS ~~TRAIL~~ TRIAL. SHE ADVISED HIM TO LEAVE TOWN AND GET LOST. [redacted] WAS ASSURED THE FACT HE HAD FURNISHED INFORMATION TO THE BUREAU NOR HIS ADDRESS IN ASHEVILLE, N. C., HAD NOT BEEN REVEALED OUTSIDE OF THE BUREAU. [redacted] STATED IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, HE COULD NOT SUPPLY THE FBI WITH ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND COULD NOT TESTIFY AT THE ~~TRAIL~~ TRIAL OF DE PUGH, ET AL. HE STATED IF SUBPOENAED HE WOULD HAVE TO PLEAD THE FIFTH AMENDMENT IF GRANTED IMMUNITY FROM PROSECUTION, HE WOULD STILL BE SHOT AND THIS WOULD NOT SAVE HIM. HE FULLY EXPECTS THERE WILL BE WHOLESALE KILLING OF WITNESSES WHO APPEAR IN SEATTLE TO TESTIFY AT ~~TRAIL~~ TRIAL AND END PAGE THREE.

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HE HAS TO REFUSE TO TESTIFY. WHEN IT WAS POINTED OUT TO [redacted] THAT MINUTEMEN WERE POSSIBLY CONTACTING ALL POTENTIAL WITNESSES IN AN ATTEMPT TO INTIMIDATE THEM, HE STATED HE HAD CERTAINLY BEEN INTIMIDATED, AND COULD NOT TESTIFY UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES NOR WOULD HE FURNISH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO FBI REGARDING MINUTEMAN.

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RICHMOND ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY KNOWN MINUTEMAN WHO WAS IN ASHEVILLE, N. C., MARCH SEVENTEEN, LAST.

KANSAS CITY AND SEATTLE ADVISE IF SIMILAR THREATS MADE TO OTHER POTENTIAL WITNESSES.

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I. O. 4176
3-20-68

BANK ROBBERY; CONSPIRACY

WANTED BY FBI

ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH

FBI No. 1,798,E

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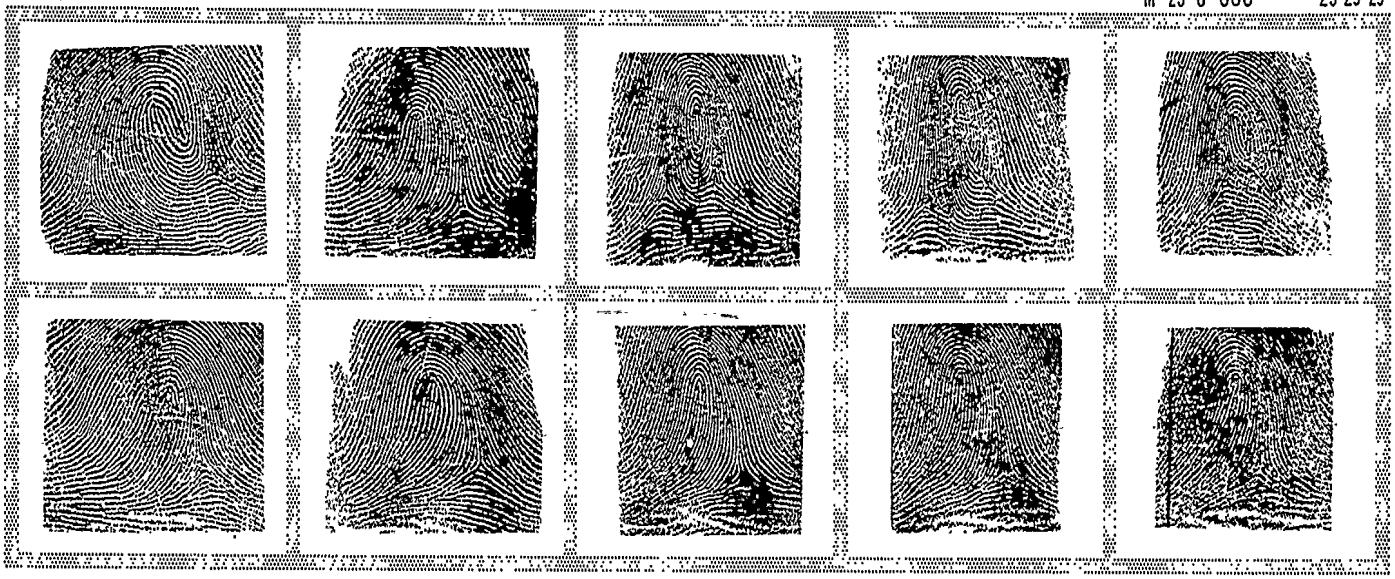
ALIAS: "Bob"



Robert Bolivar DePugh

DESCRIPTION

AGE: 44, born April 15, 1923, Independence, Missouri
HEIGHT: 5'10" to 5'11"
WEIGHT: 175 to 190 pounds
BUILD: medium
HAIR: brown, receding
EYES: brown
COMPLEXION: medium
RACE: white
NATIONALITY: American
OCCUPATIONS: chemist, draftsman
SCARS AND MARKS: cut scar under lower lip
REMARKS: may wear beard

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CRIMINAL RECORD

DePugh has been convicted of illegal possession of firearms.

NOT RECORDED

CAUTION

DEPUGH REPORTEDLY CARRIES A PISTOL AND HAS ACCESS TO OTHER TYPES OF WEAPONS, INCLUDING HAND GRENADES. CONSIDER EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

A Federal warrant was issued February 20, 1968, at Seattle, Washington, charging DePugh with conspiracy to commit bank robberies (Title 18, U. S. Code, Sections 371, 2113a, and 2113d).

IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS PERSON, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL FBI OFFICE. TELEPHONE NUMBERS AND ADDRESSES OF ALL FBI OFFICES LISTED ON BACK.

Identification Order 4176
March 20, 1968

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J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C. 20535

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-107261)
(91-28872)

FROM: SAC, DETROIT (100-29942)
(91-5801)

UNKNOWN
UFAC - MISCELLANEOUS
(OO: KANSAS CITY)

[redacted] aka., NR

ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE; aka., NR

[redacted]

MERVIN EDWARD HENDERSON; NR aka., NR

[redacted]

WALTER PATRICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE; NR

[redacted]

Redmond State Bank,
Redmond, Washington;
First National Bank of Redmond,
Redmond, Washington;
Seattle Trust and Savings Bank,
Des Moines Branch, Des Moines, Wash.;
BANK ROBBERY - CONSPIRACY
(OO: SEATTLE)

Re Detroit teletype to the Bureau, Seattle, Phoenix, dated 3/14/68, captioned as above 91 case; and Seattle airtel to the Bureau, dated 3/1/68, captioned as above 91 case.

3 ENCLOSURE

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On 3/14/68 [redacted] made available literature and material he received on this date from the Minutemen. For the information of all receiving offices, DE PUGH is currently a fugitive and is National Coordinator of the Minutemen. Background information concerning DE PUGH's participation in

bank robbery conspiracy, Seattle, Washington, is set forth in referenced Seattle airtel.

Informant states that he received a 1st class package during the AM hours of 3/14/68 which was addressed to his residence in Detroit, Mich., with the return address of P.O. Box 184, Muncie, Kansas. Above package was postmarked Phoenix, Arizona, main office, 3/11/68, PM, with 80 cents postage.

Inside the above-mentioned package was another package with the same address to the informant, return address of P.O. Box 184, Muncie, which package contained a cover letter addressed to the informant as an enclosure to 25 sealed and addressed envelopes, unstamped, addressed to various news medias such as television, radio, newspapers and various individuals throughout the U.S. It is to be noted that the unstamped letters enclosed in the package for the most part were typed, although some were printed in ink and had return addresses of P.O. boxes in Missouri.

The letter which was on Minutemen stationery, captioned "Minutemen Underground Headquarters", contained a note written to informant requesting he, informant, to mail above letters from Detroit, Michigan.

Also included in the letter was an "Underground News Bulletin No. 1" from ROBERT DE PUGH, National Coordiantor, Minutemen. The above underground news letter announced that he and WALTER PEYSON are now being hunted by the FBI and consists of four pages in which he claims that he has been unjustly persecuted by the Federal government and its agencies.

[redacted] can be described as an informant who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be protected. It is felt that this information

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should not be used indiscriminately as it could possibly jeopardize and compromise the informant. For all offices receiving this communication, the above letters sent to informant by DE PUGH are to be mailed as he requested in view of the fact that he, DE PUGH, may be testing the informant.

Any information contained in this airtel should be carefully paraphrased and is being submitted for a possible investigative lead in an effort to determine DE PUGH's whereabouts in view of the fact that he is a Federal fugitive.

paraphrased

There is being attached hereto, a xerox copy of the "Underground News Bulletin No. 1" mentioned above, as well as a xerox copy of DE PUGH's letter to the informant requesting that he remail enclosed letters mentioned above.

There is also being enclosed herewith xerox copies of the exterior of the envelopes mentioned above so that if inquiry is received from the various news medias, organizations and individuals these letters are directed to, receiving offices will be in receipt of full facts concerning this mailing.

For the information of all offices receiving airtel, one letter was opened and found to contain a note from DE PUGH along with the attached "Underground News Bulletin No. 1".

"Minutemen"
UNDERGROUND HEADQUARTERS

Dear Fellow Patriot:

As you can see by the enclosed bulletin, our battle has entered a new phase.

We are short of stamps.

Therefore we would appreciate it very much if you would put stamps on the enclosed letter and re-mail from your city. Keep up the fight!

91-28572.

Sincerely,

Dwight

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To the restoration of our Constitutional Republic, to the defense of individual freedom and to the preservation of our American heritage, we pledge our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor.

Wes[illegible]rmann and Associates
1101 Indian School Rd. West
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Parliament House
Box 1165
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (91-28872)

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (91-5472) P

RE: [redacted]
ROBERT B. DE PUGH, aka -
FUGITIVE;
WALTER P. PEYSON, aka -
FUGITIVE;
BR - CONSPIRACY
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Re Kansas City airtel to Bureau, 3/11/68.

Enclosed to Bureau and Seattle is a copy of a letter from [redacted] dated March, 1968, requesting contributions. This was received by [redacted] (CONCEAL), Garden City, Kansas, 3/7/68.

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It is to be noted that during interview with [redacted] on 3/13/68, she stated that she did not know the whereabouts of ROBERT DE PUGH or WALTER PEYSON and felt she could not raise enough money for their bond.

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Special Agent in Charge

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March, 1968

Dear Fellow Americans:

In a special bulletin we told you the U.S. Supreme Court just ruled that the National Firearms Act requiring registration of machine guns is unconstitutional. This is a tremendous victory for those who believe in the citizens' right to own and bear arms. This also almost guarantees a reversal in the conviction of Minutemen leaders sentenced to several years in jail on conspiracy to violate this act. They now have a chance to re-argue their case.

Our joy, however, has been dampened considerably by a recent report that Minutemen leaders, Mr. DePugh and others, are to be indicted with conspiracy to rob several banks in the state of Washington. Conspiracy has vast implications, according to the law, and we feel this charge is made mostly to once again get these leaders in jail and in a position where they are completely useless to the cause. We may never know accurate details of this charge, but we do know our enemies will take every chance to stop these leaders from carrying out their work.

The organization has made great strides in the last several months. They have tightened security and have offered almost continuous training sessions. They have disseminated information that patriots can get from no other source. They have released information that Cuba is supporting "black power" in this country and they are giving weapons to build up this group. The Minutemen have also helped patriots by advising what they should do in case of riots, how they can best take care of themselves, and defense materials they can make and keep on hand. The organization has continued to build its intelligence files and are making lists of subversives available to law enforcement agencies. We have gained a lot of support in this endeavor and the need for such knowledge is becoming very evident to those whose duty it is to protect the American people.

Although the Minutemen have been outlawed in the state of New York, they have become stronger and have agreater following since members there were arrested for attempting to show the people that communists were practically working at their doorsteps.

As times get worse, more and more people will look to the Minutemen organization for help. Let's keep our organization strong and its leaders free. Let's hold to the basic principles and aims of freedom and liberty and not be sidetracked by issues thrown at us by the enemy. Stick to your guns, as we are freedom's last bastion!

SUPPORT THE ORGANIZATION in faith and deed. Please send as large a contribution as possible which will be used in these leaders' defense as they see best. This is the advice of the Executive Council, and since I will not have another chance to contact them again, I am signing this message. Please send your contribution in the enclosed envelope, and continue working according to the directives of the organization.

Sincerely

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TO DIRECTOR (91-28872) AND CHARLOTTE (91-3054)

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ROBERT BOLIVAR DE PUGH - FUGITIVE;
WALTER PARTICK PEYSON - FUGITIVE; ET AL. BANK ROBBERY;
CONSPIRACY.

RE CHARLOTTE TELETYPE TO BUREAU, MARCH EIGHTEEN LAST AND DIRECTOR TELETYPE TO SEATTLE MARCH NINETEEN LAST.

REVIEW OF RICHMOND FILES REFLECT NO KNOWN ACTIVE MINUTEMEN MEMBERS IN RICHMOND DIVISION.

LOCATION OF FORMER KLANSMEN AND SELF-PROCLAIMED MINUTEMEN HAVE BEEN VERIFIED RE MARCH SEVENTEEN LAST.

CHARLOTTE WILL ENDEAVOR TO OBTAIN DESCRIPTION OF MINUTEMEN TEAM CAPTAIN FROM RICHMOND, VA., WHO CONTACTED INFORMANT AT RESIDENCE IN ASHEVILLE, N.C. REC-97 EX-105 91-28872-103

WILL CONSIDER CONDUCTING NEIGHBOODOK INVESTIGATION TO OBTAIN POSSIBLE DESCRIPTION OF INDIVIDUAL AND VEHICLE.

MAIL COPY KANSAS CITY AND SEATTLE.

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